

WEATHER FORECASTS
Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate east to southeast winds; partly cloudy, and mild; probably a few scattered showers.
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LONDON SEES NO SIGNS OF NAZI RAIDERS

British Bombers Centre on Mannheim for Second Successive Night

GERMAN-HELD PORTS ATTACKED BY R.A.F.

LONDON, Dec. 19 (Thursday), (AP).—British bombers last night "successfully attacked" objectives in Milan, Italy, and Mannheim, Germany, it was announced authoritatively today. The operations were carried out despite bad weather, it was said. It was the third successive night that Mannheim, industrial city in Southwest Germany, was attacked by R.A.F. flyers.

LONDON, Dec. 19 (Thursday), (P).—Londoners went into their second successive night without an alert tonight for one of their longest raid-free periods since September. The capital had a similar bombless period last week, ending after forty-three hours and fifty-one minutes with a major pounding from the Nazis during the night of December 8.

Adding to the mystery of the absence of raiders was the fact the Channel was clear of mist for the first time in weeks, though the sky was cloudy.

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THREE VESSELS ARE TORPEDOED

Messages Tell of Submarine Attacks—Capture of Nazi Freighter Reported

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP).—Submarines lurking in shipping lanes of the North Atlantic torpedoed two tankers and a freighter today. On Britain's credit side was the reported capture of a German freighter.

At the same time, New York shipping circles said the Belgian liner Ville d'An, the former American Traveller of the United States Lines, was more than a month unreported and presumed lost.

In wireless messages picked up by Mackay Radio during a four-hour period, these ships reported submarine attacks:

THREE REPORT ATTACKS

Napier Star, 12,196-ton British refrigerator ship used in carrying Australian and New Zealand mail to Britain, Dallonn, Norwegian motorship, 9,600 tons, and the Pendrecht, Netherlands tanker, 10,746 tons.

The Pendrecht and Dallonn were torpedoed 350 miles off the Hebrides and about thirty miles from the apparent position of the British passenger liner Western Prince when she was torpedoed on Saturday. Both ships were taken over by British after the fall of Holland and Norway.

The German freighter Klaus Schokke, 5,848 tons, was captured on December 6 while trying to reach Germany from Horta, the Azores, New York shippers reported.

Bags Hundred Italian Planes In One Week

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP).—The British Broadcasting Corporation said tonight that British airmen have shot down or put out of action more than 100 Italian planes during the last seven days' action in Africa.

The B.B.C. added that British losses were said to be probably "no more than five."

"The Royal Air Force has completely demoralized the Italian pilots," the B.B.C. said.

SNOW IN MALTA

VALETTA, Malta, Dec. 18 (AP).—Snow fell yesterday on the heights of this British mid-Mediterranean island for the first time since 1904.

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Australian Brawn And Courage Make Potent Cocktails

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP).—The New York Times recipe for a "potent cocktail": Australian brawn, courage, initiative. Discussing editorially the exploits of the Australian troops in the British advance into Libya, The Times said: "The mixture was one of Britain's prize recipes for victory—a generous blend of brawn, courage and initiative. It promises to be no less effective today."

PREPARED TO MEET ATTACK

New Warnings Against Danger of Invasion Finds Forces in Readiness

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP).—Newly warned against the danger of invasion, Great Britain has 1,000,000 home guardsmen and untold thousands of home defence and mobile troops at the alert in her constant vigil for the approach of Hitler's threatened attack.

At the same time, the Government made it clear that the Empire cannot win the war until its army has "struck—and struck deep—into the Axis countries."

A Ministry of Information spokesman said the blockade would weaken Germany and Italy, and the Royal Navy and Royal Air Force would shake the confidence of Hitler and his partner Mussolini.

"But the weapon which ultimately will enforce submission of the enemy is the army," the spokesman said, adding that Britain now has about 3,000,000 men under arms.

MILITARY ARE READY

Truck loads of military supplies speed along coastal highways of this island kingdom. In preparation for Hitler's long-awaited invasion attempt.

The War Office has issued new restrictions against the wearing of uniforms by unauthorized persons, presumably to guard against fifth column operations; and the Admiralty called for volunteers for the Marine Corps.

Noting Lord Beaverbrook's warning that "the enemy is making preparations for the invasion of Britain before Springtime comes," observers said the new threat is particularly grave because the Germans might attempt either a mass invasion or isolated raids to relieve

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MAKE PLANS FOR REORGANIZATION

Will Enable Utmost Speed to Be Made in Providing War Supplies

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (Thursday), (P).—The New York Times, in a dispatch from Washington, said tonight that President Roosevelt and Cabinet members have reached an agreement "in principle" on a plan to reorganize the administration of national defence to obtain the "utmost speed in the output of vital war supplies for this country and the democracies."

The "agreement," the newspaper said, was reached by the President, Secretary of Navy Frank Knox, Secretary of War Henry Stimson and Under-Secretary of Navy Foran.

The plan, The Times said, "calls in substance for an over-all defence council, composed of Secretaries Stimson and Knox and William S. Knudsen, industrial member of the Defence Advisory Commission."

The new "supreme council," said The Times, "would be charged specifically with getting the rearmament job done."

British Advance on Fascists' Stronghold Despite Heavy Rains

Weather Handicaps But Fails to Halt Big Drive in Libya—Fighting Centred on Strong Fortifications Outside Bardia

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES IN LIBYA, Dec. 18 (AP).—British land forces advanced today on Bardia in heavy fighting while the Royal Air Force bombed the Italian stronghold from the air and the fleet shelled it from the Mediterranean Sea.

The ground fighting centred on the strong fortifications five or six miles outside the town, which the Italians built long before the war and strengthened in the past year. Heavy rains turned the desert into mud and handicapped, but did not halt the British drive.

RETREAT PARTLY OPEN

The Royal Air Force reported some Italian troop movements out of Bardia toward Tobruk, indicating that a way of retreat from the town was partly open. British armored

Australians in Offensive



Australian motorized units are playing an important part in the vanguard of the British offensive into Libya. Above is an Australian convoy crossing the Egyptian desert on the way from Palestine to join the British counter-offensive.

Drowns as Boat Capsizes at Side Of Rescue Craft

Financial Adviser to Canadian Minister of Munitions Loses Life After Liner Torpedoed—Hon. C. D. Howe and Two Other Executive Assistants Saved From Western Prince

A BRITISH PORT, Dec. 18 (P).—Hon. C. D. Howe, Canadian Munitions and Supply Minister, today announced the death of Gordon W. Scott, Montreal accountant and financial adviser to the ministry, who was drowned when a lifeboat from the torpedoed liner Western Prince capsized at the side of a rescue ship.

Mr. Howe, his executive assistants, Col. W. C. Woodward, Vancouver, and E. P. Taylor, Toronto, and fifty other passengers, as well as ninety-nine crew members—a total of 152—landed at this port.

GOES DOWN WITH SHIP

At least sixteen persons, six passengers and ten members of the crew, are believed to have lost their lives. Capt. John Reed, of the Western Prince, went down with his ship, her whistle blasting a gallant farewell to those in the lifeboats before she disappeared.

Mal-Gen. A. E. Macrae, British technical expert assigned to Ottawa and a member of Mr. Howe's party, was among those rescued, as was Lt.-Col. J. H. Smith, another British technical authority and a veteran of the evacuation of Dunkerque.

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SIX KILLED IN BOMBER CRASH

U.S. Army Plane Wrecked On Side of Mountain in California

MARCH FIELD, Cal., Dec. 18 (AP).—Six officers and men of the United States Army's 93rd Bombardment Pursuit Squadron, March Field, were killed today as their twenty-two-ton B-17 four-motored bomber crashed and burned at the 6,700-foot snow-capped peak of Marion Mountain in San Bernardino National Forest.

The giant bomber plunged into the boulder-strewn, heavily wooded mountain slope, three miles north of Idyllwild, at 10:45 a.m. The plane appeared to encounter mechanical trouble. Ground witnesses at the Idyllwild Inn and at Pine Cove, nearby, reported that it circled several times, its engines seemingly missing. Clouds closed in on the bomber at 8,000 feet and in a few minutes it roared earthward at full throttle.

A rescue party arrived twenty minutes later from Pine Cove to find the plane a mass of red-hot twisted metal. The 105-foot right wing had sheared through a large pine tree. Residents of the two resort towns said they had heard a loud explosion, indicating the gas tanks ignited with the impact. The noise was heard as far as six miles.

The victims: First Lieutenant Harold J. Turner, pilot, Corona, La.; Co-Pilot Donald T. Ward, West Los Angeles; First Lieutenant Vernon McCauley, Riverside, Cal.; Engineer Staff-Sergeant Thomas P. Sweet, Riverside; Assistant Engineer Corporal Frank J. Jirsk, Salem, Ore.; and Radioman Private James C. Sessions, Bisbee, Ariz.

Official sources indicated they considered the "affaire Laval" as closed now that Otto Abetz, Hitler's envoy, has returned to Paris, taking Laval with him.

Will Not Be Carved Up
Relative calm returned to Vichy, but the day brought forth one note of French spirit in foreign affairs, an editorial by the newspaper Le Temps. This, considered officially inspired, said "France will not resign herself to letting her vast empire be carved up and that those who count on doing so, just because France was beaten on the western battlefields, deceive themselves."

The only thing Le Temps mentioned specifically in this connection was the fighting on the border of French Indo-China and Thailand (Siam).

Advised to Proceed and Not to Worry

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP).—The New York Times says in a Washington dispatch today that Great Britain has been advised to proceed with some \$3,000,000,000 worth of new orders for United States war supplies "without too much worry about the ability of this country to fill them or where the money or credit is coming from for payment."

The Times said such advice "is understood to have stemmed from President Roosevelt himself and was relayed to British officials here,"

From Europe Day by Day—

THE TIMES, London

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LONDON, Dec. 18 (By Cable).—New British forces have reached the Bardia sector of Libya after the capture of the ground at Solum. Air raids continue to be made on Libyan bases and on towns in Italian East Africa. Total Italian aircraft destroyed since the desert battle began exceeds 120, compared with the loss of thirteen British.

Bardia has been bombed into an inferno, attacks proceeding all night long with terrifying accuracy despite a heavy Italian barrage. The capture of Solum, which means the Italians have been cleared off Egyptian soil, has been greeted with delight in Cairo. The crushing defeat of the Italians is shown in official photographs of the battlefield with long lines of prisoners stretching over monotonous desert to the horizon. They are guarded by one or two British soldiers and smiling happily. Some British units have already reached and cut the road from Bardia to Tobruk.

How an entire Italian division of 14,000 men surrendered in a body is told by The Times' special correspondent. He says on the road west of Buqbuq, British tanks and armored cars surprised the Italians, who were on the march. It was the 64th Calanzaro Division, led by Fascist officers, but composed mostly of peasant boys who did not want to fight. Faced suddenly by British mechanized units they fled, refusing to fight. They were photographed later marching to prison camp along the road named "The Way of Victory."

Tank staffs have been good, says The Times' correspondent. Equipment was excellent and engineering work in the desert superb. Nevertheless, Italian armies were outmaneuvered and outfought by troops imbued by that democratic spirit which the Fascists despise.

Editorially, The Times dealing with Mussolini's plight, says rarely has a dictator's policy caused so much humiliation to his country. Conditions of being trampled under foot by triumphant Italy.

Many Frenchmen who accepted France's surrender as inevitable must be reflecting, says The Times, how much more consonant it would have been with the dignity and intelligence of France if the French Government and French army based on the French Empire in North Africa had participated in the British victory over Graziani.

As for German help, it is clear Hitler has quite heartlessly decided to allow Mussolini, for the present at least, to stew in his own juice. The German general staff may be aware of the hollowness of the Fascist military pretensions. However, Italy is honeycombed with Hitler agents, and it may be that Hitler is doing much canvassing drives towards Gibraltar or Istanbul, may decide to reach the Mediterranean by a much less devious route through Italy. Accordingly the Italians may wake up one morning and find Italy has become a German-occupied territory with Mussolini holding the rank and status of Quisling.

SPAIN SUFFERS FOOD SHORTAGE

Government Hopes to Rush Ships to Argentina for Wheat Supplies

MADRID, Dec. 18 (AP).—A plan to mobilize all available Spanish ocean-going ships and rush them to Argentina for wheat and corn was disclosed today as an urgent step in the Government's effort to cope with the food shortage.

Steamship owners met at the Navy Ministry and offered all the ships at their disposal. It is hoped here that badly needed supplies will begin arriving before the end of January.

Apart from the question of credits, British permission for ships to bring new supplies to Spain will be necessary for the success of the negotiations.

STRICT RATIONING

Scarcity of wheat in Spain is so acute a new stringent bread rationing is about to go into effect under which the ration for each individual kind of food will have their present small bread ration cut so that more can be given to others.

The shortage is ascribed officially to this combination of causes: The country's reserves were used up in the civil war and planting was badly reduced during those years; unfavorable weather has made crops extremely poor; the present war has cut Spain off almost entirely from importation.

BRITISH AIRMEN BRING REPORTS OF ITALIAN TROOPS IN FLIGHT OVER VAST AREA OF FIGHTING

Retreating Westward Along Libyan Coast, While British and Imperial Forces Are Closing In on Bardia, Last Easternmost Base Left to Fascist Forces in Egypt

Italians at Home Are Told Of Wearing Down British

CAIRO, Dec. 18 (P).—An Italian retreat westward along the Libyan coast toward Derna, 150 miles within the colony, was reported today by Royal Air Force observers while the British and Imperial Army closed in on the Mediterranean port of Bardia, Libya, the easternmost base left to the Fascists in their disastrous Egyptian campaign.

Bardia itself appeared surrounded and doomed to fall to the British forces, whose armored cars were reported to have cut communications to the west. From the east, thousands of fresh Imperial troops brought in from Egyptian desert camps stormed the other end of a closing pincer which imperiled several Fascist divisions.

SINKS ARMED SUPPLY SHIP

British Motor Torpedo Boat Makes Successful Attack Off Belgian Coast

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP).—An Admiralty communiqué tonight said that a British motor torpedo boat sank an armed supply ship of between 6,000 and 7,000 tons off the Belgian coast early Tuesday.

An escorting trawler also was attacked by the British boat, according to the communiqué, which follows: "In the early hours of this morning our motor torpedo boat, carrying out an offensive patrol off the Belgian coast, made a successful attack on a large armed enemy supply ship of between 6,000 and 7,000 tons."

SHIP SEEN TO SINK

The enemy supply ship was seen to break up and sink. Fire was opened with machine guns from the enemy ship just before she sank, but this fire was ineffective.

"An enemy escort ship, a vessel of the trawler type, was then engaged by machine gun fire from our M.T.B. and hit. A torpedo was fired at the enemy trawler and an explosion was felt by our M.T.B. and the enemy ship ceased firing."

"No casualties or damage were sustained by any of our forces."

DECLARE GERMAN TROOPS IN ITALY

Dispatches From Belgrade Insist On Truth of Reports Despite Rome's Denial

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP).—The Columbia Broadcasting System tonight reported receipt of a wireless message from Belgrade, Yugoslavia, which said authoritative sources "stated German forces are now concentrated in Taranin, Italy, and that a certain number are in Turin."

"No precise figures are available," the message said. "According to eye-witness reports reaching the same sources here, German troops were sighted early this week passing southward through the Brenner Pass and others were seen aboard ships in the harbor of Trieste. These reports estimate the Trieste concentration at one division."

CBS said that despite Italian Government denials of infiltration of German troops into Italy, its correspondent's story of Tuesday, from Belgrade, was further confirmed by tonight's message.

PETER BENNETT GETS CHAMBERLAIN'S SEAT

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 18 (AP).—Peter Bennett, Conservative, was elected for Edgbaston today to fill the House of Commons seat of the late Neville Chamberlain. Under the wartime political truce there were no other candidates.

Greek Gunners Turn Deadly Fire on Two Fascist-Held Towns

Fall of Klisura and Tepeleni Expected Soon—Italians Send Reinforcements to Coastal Sector—Weather Slows Fighting in the North

ATHENS, Dec. 18 (AP).—Greek machine gunners were reported raking the Albanian towns of Klisura and Tepeleni from surrounding mountain peaks tonight in an apparent prelude to a major effort to drive out the Italian defenders.

Klisura is in Middle Albania, on a cross-mountain road leading to Tepeleni, some twelve miles to the west. It also provides an important route to the Lower Viosa River Valley.

Tell-tale flames such as those seen before the Italians retreated from Agricoastro and Santi Quaranta (Porto Edda) were flicking skyward at Klisura, indicating Mussolini's forces had fired the city in preparing for withdrawal.

On the coast the Greeks were said to be well within range of Chirmara, which the Italians were reported defending with reinforcements. The Greeks said they were flanking the port of Palermo. In the northern sector fighting had been slowed down by bad weather, but nevertheless continued.

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FOUR CANADIANS GOOD COLLECTORS

Impromptu Concert in Shelter During Raid Nets Twenty Pounds For Spitfire Fund

TORONTO, Dec. 18 (AP).—The story of how four Canadians and a violinist raised \$20 toward a Spitfire fund in a London shelter during an air raid is revealed today in a letter made public here by Canadian Legion War Services Inc.

The four men—A. Nelson McMurdo, Kamloops, O. E. Fleming, Windsor, Ont.; Major C. B. Merrett, Edmonton, and Capt. G. C. McEwen, Toronto, N.B.—were dining near Piccadilly Circus when the alarm sounded. With hundreds of others, they went to a shelter.

McMurdo had with him his violin and within a few minutes everyone was singing as well as playing—on a piano to the enjoyment of the others in the shelter that they saw a collection and contributed to proceeds in the nearest Spitfire fund.

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T-BONE STEAK, lb. 22¢	LOIN ROASTS, lb. 22¢	RIB CHOPS, lb. 28¢	WINGRIB, lb. 20¢	POT ROAST, lb. 15¢
CHUCK STEAK, lb. 18¢	LOIN CHOPS, lb. 23¢	BREASTS, lb. 18¢	ROUND BONE, lb. 18¢	ROUND BONE, lb. 18¢
BOILING BEEF, lb. 12¢	PORK STEAK, lb. 19¢		CHUCK ROAST, lb. 17¢	CHUCK ROAST, lb. 17¢
BEEF LIVER, lb. 22¢			HAMBURGER, lb. 10¢	HAMBURGER, lb. 10¢
Steak and Kidney, 2 lbs. 25¢				
Minced Steak, 2 lbs. 25¢				

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2 lbs. **21¢**

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GLACE CHERRIES, lb. 25¢
ALMOND PASTE, 1 lb. 19¢

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LEMONS, doz. 13¢
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MEAT SAUCE, bottle 10¢
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Large size 18¢

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SHRIMP, 15¢

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BAKERY AWARD IS ANNOUNCED

Increase in Wages and Recognition of Night Work Recommended by Board

Recommendations favoring 210 employees in six Vancouver and one New Westminster bakery establishments were announced yesterday by Hon. G. S. Pearson, after report by an arbitration board under the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act. The award is retroactive to July 24 last.

Under the terms of the finding, the board recommended an increase of 10 per cent in the wages of bakery employees concerned with extra pay for night-time work. The report was unanimous, except with regard to night work, where one commissioner, G. F. Gyles, dissented.

The board was composed of Judge A. M. Harper, chairman; Dr. Lyle Telford, for the employees; and G. F. Gyles, for the employers, and sat in the settlement of a dispute, which originated last Summer, Mr. Pearson intimated.

Book Emphasizes U.E.L. Viewpoint

Local United Empire Loyalists are finding unusual interest in a new book, "Oliver Wiswell," which deals with the American Revolution and the founding of the infant United Empire Loyalist settlements in the Maritimes, Quebec and Ontario.

Written by Kenneth Roberts, author of the best-selling "Northwest Passage," it is a historical novel which presents the story of the revolution in a new light, "debunking" the popular heroes of the rebel forces, and emphasizing the viewpoint of the Loyalists.

James Foreman is president of the Victoria branch of the United Empire Loyalists.

Robert W. Service Planning a Home Here Next Spring

Visiting Victoria for only a few moments while en route to California after escaping from Paris and Nazi invasion, Robert W. Service, of "Sourdough" fame, said Tuesday afternoon that he expected to return to Vancouver Island to make a permanent home next May.

Accompanied by his wife and child, the noted poet has been living in Vancouver for the past few months. He indicated that the weather there was one of the reasons for leaving.

Mr. Service said that he is looking forward to showing his family the old store on the Kookalah, where he clerked, and the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Victoria. It was his job in the bank with the resultant transfer to White Horse, in the Yukon, that enabled him to get the experience that made his "Songs of a Sourdough" and "Trail of '98" so authentic.

During the next Summer, Mr. Service expects to find time to visit the Yukon, and see the changes in Dawson since the time of "Dangerous Dan McGrew."

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SOLDIERS TO HAVE LOUNGE FACILITIES

Y.M.C.A. Board to Compensate for Shortage of Military Accommodation Here

Following a report submitted by W. T. Strath, M.P.P., on the comparative shortage of accommodation in the city for the soldiers, the directors of the Y.M.C.A. at the regular board meeting yesterday, approved plans for renovation of the Y.M.C.A. lobby. A thirty-bed dormitory and lounge facilities will be installed shortly after the new year in a portion of what is now the lobby. Changes are to be under the charge of the Y.M.C.A. Women's Auxiliary and the Canteen Women's Auxiliary.

Excluding the regular staff, an additional ten individuals are necessary to serve in troop entertainments as provided by the Y.M.C.A. in Military District No. 11, the Y.M.C.A. is serving thirty-four different places, with eleven pictures a week being shown by the eight projectors in use. They total some thirty-seven showings a week.

President H. B. Witter was left in charge of appointing a nominating committee for the annual meeting. President Witter and R. W. Mayhew, M.P., were appointed delegates to the National Council for next year.

Other reports submitted include: Financial and war work, W. T. Strath; physical, P. A. Gibbs; boys' work, J. R. Nicolson; social and educational, E. O. Rywebottom, and house, J. V. Johnson.

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Thursday, December 19, 1940

AMERICAN CO-OPERATION

The plan proposed by President Roosevelt for further supplies of war paraphernalia for Great Britain to aid in the fight against the Axis Powers will, in every probability, be adopted, or some similar plan. The United States is put to the test of the "new order" in Europe. He can best refrain from further antagonizing these States by sending German troops directly to Italy for transport from there to Albania, rather than by marching them through Bulgaria and Hungary. This may well be his plan, and it is conceivable that the decision to do this led to the resignation of Marshal Badoglio as Chief of Staff of the Italian Army. The censorship of news is so strict in both Germany and Italy that troop movements can be in progress for weeks before anything is known of them, and then the information leaks out through neutral countries. If it is true that the Germans are contemplating taking part in the war in Albania, the British and Greek forces are probably apprised of the possibility, and, by naval and air power, will do what is possible to frustrate Nazi plans in that direction.

This is strong talk, but it shows the trend of American thought. The Courier-Journal believes that ships of the United States should take the machinery of war to the British Isles; that they should be conveyed by American warships. It believes that the way should be paved for the enactment in the forces of the Empire of large numbers of American aviators and mechanics. It goes further still in advocating some form of understanding between the English-speaking peoples "looking towards a peace of justice in which all free men can share equally." Then The Courier-Journal says: "All these are actions that can still be described as 'short of war,' if we insist on clinging to the ambiguous, unworthy phrase. Most of us know that war, in the modern Hitlerian sense, is being waged against America, and that America must fight back or be ruined. Whom are we afraid of that we dare not say these things out loud, unambiguously, and at once. Instead of the soft song of the appeasing lotus-eaters, America needs a voice like John Milton's to cry unceasingly:

"Awake, arise, or be forever fallen."

The plan proposed by President Roosevelt would not mean the repeal of either the Neutrality Act or the Johnson Act. It is that the Government of the United States should take over future British orders and release whatever the equipment or machinery is when it is completed for use by Great Britain on a lease or mortgage basis, with repayment "in kind" when the war is won. The explanation of this is given as follows: "Planes and guns, for example, would be leased to Great Britain. After the war, if they were still in good condition, Great Britain would be expected to give them back. If they had been destroyed, she would be obliged to furnish the United States with similar weapons." Details of the plan would have to be worked out, but the principle has been put forward in plain language by the President that there is little doubt that he will be able to persuade Congress to his way of thinking, and that early in the New Year a gentleman's agreement will be reached whereby Great Britain will not have to worry any more about finding American exchange to pay for her purchases in the United States.

Such an arrangement will mean that Great Britain thereafter will be able to give her undivided attention, in a monetary sense, to the financial problems on her home front. She would thus be afforded immense relief. She wants all the munitions and other equipment that can be obtained from the United States; wants them the more particularly because enemy bombing has, to some extent, reduced her own output. She wants them to hasten the conclusion of the war, with its immense wastage of material resources. The United States is in a frame of mind when its people are realizing more and more that it is in their interest that victory should crown British arms, and in the shortest possible time. It is this conception that has inspired the plan put forward by President Roosevelt. It may not be adopted as he has outlined it, but the policy of all possible help, however devised, is now certain, and that is matter which cannot fail to afford the utmost relief to Great Britain in the midst of her preoccupations so grave and so difficult.

GERMAN TROOP MOVEMENTS

If it is not true that German troops are already in Italy, it may well be that the report is an indication of coming events casting their shadows before. Italy can well expect German aid in the straits in which she now finds herself, to the extent at least of sufficient troops being made available to teach her the Nazi technique of war. The report that German reinforcements will be sent to Libya to stem the British advance may well be far fetched. The transportation difficulties are great, and Germany would have to rely on Italian shipping and Italian warships for protection, and the latter do not seem anxious to risk an engagement with the British Mediterranean Fleet. The assumption is that Italy is now unable to send reinforcements of her own to Libya, and is having much trouble in getting supplies into that colony.

The greater probability is that German troops will be sent to reinforce the Italian army fighting in Albania, and that the Nazis will find an excuse to declare war against Greece, in fact may engage in hostilities without declaration. There is no doubt that Herr Hitler is becoming more and more perturbed about the trend of fighting in the Mediterranean area, and chiefly because the success of the Greeks is having the effect of stiffening the attitude of other Balkan States

against the "new order" in Europe. He can best refrain from further antagonizing these States by sending German troops directly to Italy for transport from there to Albania, rather than by marching them through Bulgaria and Hungary. This may well be his plan, and it is conceivable that the decision to do this led to the resignation of Marshal Badoglio as Chief of Staff of the Italian Army. The censorship of news is so strict in both Germany and Italy that troop movements can be in progress for weeks before anything is known of them, and then the information leaks out through neutral countries. If it is true that the Germans are contemplating taking part in the war in Albania, the British and Greek forces are probably apprised of the possibility, and, by naval and air power, will do what is possible to frustrate Nazi plans in that direction.

PROVINCIAL ECONOMIES

Saskatchewan appears to be the only province that is contemplating reductions in expenditure because of the greatly increased Federal demands for war purposes. Premier Patterson has ordered a survey to be made in all departments of Government to see what decreases can be undertaken. This necessity has been obvious ever since hostilities ensued, but there is a strange reluctance on the part of provincial administrations to take this very essential step to assist in the war effort. One at least of the reasons why the last Federal War Loan took so long to be subscribed must be the heaviness of provincial taxation, and, therefore, the inability of so many to save for investment purposes, especially at a time when the cost of living is increasing.

The Government of this Province, in its latest budget, in anticipation of increased revenues because of British and Federal war expenditures in British Columbia, decreed increased expenditures. In this way it has been contributing to decreasing the power of the people to invest in War Loans and War Savings Certificates. The way in which Provincial Governments can help best in consolidating Canada's financial strength at this time of crisis is by reducing their outlays, and, where possible, bringing about relief in taxation. This is the purpose of Premier Patterson, of Saskatchewan, and it is one that should be adopted throughout the Dominion. The pressure of events will enforce this purpose before long. Premier Patterson has seen the writing on the wall in advance of the Premiers of the other provinces.

MR. GORDON SCOTT

The death of Mr. Gordon Scott, lost in the disaster which overtook the liner Western Prince, removes one of those prominent business men who have been giving their services to the Government in its war effort. It is the first loss of its kind sustained by this country, and will bring home to Canadians anew the character of the war in which they are engaged. Mr. Scott had rendered a good account in his work in the Department of Munitions. Previous to his employment in this particular he had been well known in the political and business life of the country in whose service he has now died. His passing is a reminder that this war, as no previous war, has its civilian front and that, as death from the aid menaces every man, woman and child in Great Britain, so, too, it menaces all in these days who go down to the sea in ships.

FOR ENGLAND'S FAME

Though the wind was fair, they slowly swum frayed with acted Gull and Gull to come. For this rich load, of Gull so proud they are. Was raised by Tyranny and raised for War. Every capacious Gull's own will fill. With what the Womb of wealthy Kingdoms yield. But what all others' Avarice might clothe. Wealth yet in them raised as much fear, as Joy. For now upon the Main, themselves they saw. That boundless Empire, where you give the Law. Of winds and waters' rage, they fearful be. But much more fearful are your flags to see. Divided men. Fate did with you but sport. You kept the Sea, to perish in your Port. 'Twas more for England's fame you should die there Where you had most of strength and least of fear. —Andrew Marvell "On the Victory Obtained by Blake, 1657."

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 18, 1940.

SYNOPSIS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS

Pressure continues low off the British Columbia Coast, and is relatively high over the State of Utah. The weather has been unsettled throughout this Province, with light snowfalls over the Interior, and showers on the Coast.

It is moderately cold in the Prairie Provinces.

PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES

(Precipitation for twelve hours to 5:00 p.m.; temperatures for twenty-four hours.)

	Precipitation	Min.	Max.
Victoria	Trace	45	50
Nanaimo	0.07	37	48
Vancouver	0.02	41	53
Kamloops	1.17	21	31
Prince George	1.15	46	51
Estevan Point	0.35	37	49
Langara	0.13	42	49
Atlin	0.19	23	33
Dawson	0.17	4	14
Seattle	0.05	40	49
Portland	0.17	34	41
San Francisco	Trace	56	65
Spokane	0.13	24	36
Penticton	0.28	—	—
Vernon	0.21	—	—
Kelowna	0.21	—	—
Grand Forks	0.1	—	—
Nelson	0.10	25	31
Kaslo	0.21	—	—
Calgary	0.7	45	55
Edmonton	0.17	24	34
Swift Current	0.16	40	50
Regina	0.2	—	—
Prince Albert	0.12	7	17
Winnipeg	0.6	20	30

Below zero. WEDNESDAY

Minimum 45, Maximum 50, Average 47.

Minimum on the 18th 43, Maximum 49.

Weather, cloudy.

Total rain for twenty-four hours ending 5:00 p.m., December 18, 0.1 in.

5:00 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS

Victoria—Barometer, 29.76; wind, NE, 6 miles; cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.77; wind, SE, 5 miles; raining.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.87; wind, E, 10 miles; cloudy.

Prince George—Barometer, 29.72; wind, NE, 5 miles; cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.38; wind, SE, 15 miles; raining.

Langara—Barometer, 29.18; wind, SE, 10 miles; raining.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 29.67; wind, S, 21 miles; fair.

Talcoch—Barometer, 29.73; wind, S, 21 miles; fair.

Portland—Barometer, 29.88; wind, SE, 10 miles; raining.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.83; wind, S, 5 miles; cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.10; wind, SW, 5 miles; clear.

Note and Comment

By SANDHAM GRAVES

"His spirit changed, and, went there. As I can never, I can not tell when."

—Chaucer.

Six centuries ago, Geoffrey Chaucer knew that anything you wanted to do for a man had to be done before "his spirit changed." What a lot of probate fees and succession duties would have been saved if mankind had really learned that lesson! But let that pass; after all, something must be left to the taxgatherer. The real application of the Fourteenth Century poet's lines lies much closer to home; and, while it is very wide, the part that the column wishes to think about is man in his first state—the child. This being Christmas time, what are you going to do about the children?

Oh, I know you are being pressed to remember the men and women serving with the colours overseas; and also the young men from the Prairies, the Maritimes and elsewhere now serving on the Pacific Coast in Canada, to say nothing of old folks and under-privileged folks everywhere. But after you have attended to all that, there is still the problem of the children. They are entitled to a Christmas "with trimmings" if anyone is. In a queer, topsy-turvy kind of a way, it is part of the thing that we are fighting for—that the world will, not lose, but keep Christmas, both now and for evermore.

To begin with, there are the guest children in British Columbia, some 6,000 miles away from their homes and their parents in Britain. It will take a deal of Christmas to make up for that. Not, indeed, expensive presents—all the getting in the world does not make Christmas—but a deal of encouragement, affection, laughter, gaiety, happy faces, bright days and hilarious nights. Christmas, in this sense, is the sharing of warm thoughts; and heaven only knows how cold and bleak would be the world without them. As a duty to those who are not here, make this a Christmas for the children!

This column hesitates to say it, and yet no one can walk abroad these days without being conscious of the manner in which far too many young people have grown from the cradle to the toddling stage, and from that to the long-legged and gawky state, and from that again into adolescence and self-consciousness, without more than the most perfunctory attention in their homes, where indeed they have had homes.

It is not well to look into the eyes of a child who has never known play. There is something unnatural and forlorn about a generation that has never been reared to or cuddled. Can anyone with human feelings think unmoved of a child to whom home is a strange place, and school the first known flowering of companionships so necessary to growing hearts and growing minds? Or is it been supposed that the human heart no longer grows, and has no more need of human affection?

I say that all too often those conditions exist. We could, as a people, need preoccupation and unrest. Mental travail as a result of twenty years of smouldering human disturbance; and many other excuses. Yet, in twenty years a complete generation of children has grown up; missing who knows what of human companionship, companionship and affection. Call it what you will, our society is based upon the home; and a home without any hearts is as an empty barn, through which the wind blows nothing but the ghosts of a dead, dead past.

It is not alone Christmas that is at stake. It is the question of a second generation. Is another generation of children to grow up neglected, uncared for, untaught in all that real home life has to teach? The years between three and seven belong to a child; an inalienable birthright. They are the years in which all that is formative in a child may be bent happily the right way, or neglected and turned unhappily the wrong way, with untold consequences for mankind. Playtime belongs to a child—to every child. See that it does not pass unavailed.

You may see in your jails and penitentiaries. There you will find the children who have never played in their lives; the children for whom no human heart beat once the faster at the right time, the children without homes, or with homes as empty as a barn without life. The years between three and seven which the wind blew ghostly memories. These were the years that grew to manhood, and to womanhood, stunted and twisted, physically out of step and mentally out of gear. Look at them now. What can you do about that? That seventh year has passed! Ah, but

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily Colonist of December 19, 1890)

Hard at Work—The members of the Victoria Athletic Club are practising hard for the exhibition to be given in Nanaimo on January 16 and 17. They are, if possible, better than ever, having a lot of new and original work, and will give one of the finest athletic performances ever witnessed in British Columbia.

The Storms—The storms since last Sunday have been more severe off the Cape and in Puget Sound than for some years. All the boats on the coast have encountered rough weather and have been greatly delayed. The San Francisco steamer, which arrived yesterday, reported the roughest trip of the year, but good time was nevertheless made.

The West Shore—The West Shore is a publication of extreme interest to the traveling public of the Pacific Coast. Although published in Portland, Oregon, it covers British Columbia as well as the west shore of the United States, and is a paper of considerable ability. It is well illustrated, its Christmas number being one of special excellence.

you can do a lot for a person before "his spirit changed." Especially is that true of a child. Christmas—was the birth of the Christ Child. We must help to keep it so!

The Observation Car

By THE EDITORIAL STAFF

Three Cheers for Our Side!

The often-heard remark that Victoria is the most dangerous city on the continent in which to drive a car is hardly consistent with fact, and must have been started by a Vancouverite. As it would be practically impossible to compare traffic accidents and fatalities as recorded by police departments in the various cities, the only way to ascertain just which is the safest city for car owners is to look at automobile insurance rates. It is interesting to note that Victoria motorists enjoy the lowest accident insurance rate on the North American continent. This would indicate that we do not have as many accidents as other cities.—W.I.F.

Rugby Gossip

Lieutenant Campbell Forbes, playing coach of the Victoria "Rep" Rugby fifteen, is like the special Christmas vintage, he "improves with age." Those who saw him in action Saturday on the Mainland, informed us that Forbes played a brilliant game. The genial coach of the Crimson Tide is a veteran in every sense of the word except in age. He has been playing English Rugby for more than twenty years, and still loves to play. Lieutenant Forbes has been on the Victoria "rep" teams seven times, a record which any player might well be proud of. A versatile player, who can be fitted into the three-quarter line or the pack, Forbes was a member of the all-British Columbia team in 1924 with an all-Canadian squad, and traveled to California five years later as a member of the all-British Columbia team. School Principal Bob McInnes, who has managed many local "rep" Rugby fifteen, is more than pleased with the 1940-41 edition of the Crimson Tide, and says the squad is the best in more than a decade. New to McKennie Cup Rugby, Pender Mollison, young Canadian Scottish officer, who played stand-off for the locals, certainly made a big hit with the Mainland sport scribes. Tanky Moran, one of the finest "hooks" in British Columbia, is expected to return to the Vancouver line-up for the Boxing Day match at Macdonald Park. And what a battle it should be with Sergeant Doug Bray and Moran facing each other in opposite scrums.—S.T.

Quite So, Johnny

Remark made by Johnny at a City Council meeting: "Work is one of the best things for anyone to be happy with." There is one home where we are no longer welcome. While paying a short visit to the occupants, we were joined by a neighbor who took a great interest in the little daughter of the host and hostess. "Well, well," said the lady to the little girl, "what will you do when you grow up to be a big woman like your mother?" Before the tot had a chance to answer, we chimed: "Go on a diet, of course!" But the Broad Street tot told her better half he had to attend an important union meeting. Around 1 o'clock in the morning he crept home through the back door with his shoes in his hand, but one of the number eleven slippers dropped and awakened Mrs. Bill. "Where were you last night?" she asked in a stern voice. Quicker than a flash, Willie burst: "It's a lie. Who told you?" The teacher asked the class: "What lesson do we learn from the busy bee?" A hand shot up in the front row. "Yes, Stanley?" the teacher inquired. "Please, teacher, not to get stung." Stanley snickered. "My only objection to club lunches is that I hate to eat a meal!" Scribe Harry was heard to remark.—G.B.

When It Rains, How Much?

The daily weather report is the source of much interest to many persons. The evening report for publication on the following morning gives the maximum and minimum temperatures at thirty-two points during the preceding twenty-four hours and the total precipitation in the preceding twelve hours. The precipitation figure is for half of the meteorological day which is not complete until the following morning. As a guide to Victorians the total precipitation, if any, recorded at the Gonzales Station in the twenty-four hours ending at 5 p.m. is given at the end of the tabular report. This is the total of the precipitation in the first half of the meteorological day and the last half of the preceding period.

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Tides at Victoria

Time of tide (Pacific Standard Time) at Victoria, B.C. for the month of November, 1940.

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The time is Pacific Standard for the 1940-41 season. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height are in feet above low water. Where blank space occurs in the table, the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning.

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Nations Now Laid Up in Harbors

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (Thursday).—The New York Herald-Tribune says in a dispatch from Washington today that, as the first step in a shipping programme designed to provide Great Britain with needed tonnage, the United States is arranging to take over thirty or more Danish vessels tied up in American ports since the German occupation of Denmark.

The paper, saying it obtained its information from an authoritative source, said the proposal has been discussed by officials of the Maritime Commission, the Navy and Treasury Departments, and added: "It is further understood that the State Department has been included in a wider discussion that has emphasized the British need for ships and more ships."

The Herald-Tribune continues: "Among the proposals suggested are:

FIFTY SHIPS AVAILABLE

"The purchase for lease to Great Britain of other ships tied up in American ports and belonging to nations occupied by Nazi Germany to bring the available number up to fifty, all of the 12-to-16-knot type and capable of convoy service."

"The placing of ships of the American merchant marine at the disposal of the British, particularly those of the passenger or passenger-cargo types, perhaps the Manhattan and Washington, able to outrun submarines. These would be withdrawn from the present service and included in President Roosevelt's programme, as outlined yesterday, of financing the British war effort by leases for replacement in kind."

"A plan, also stemming direct from the proposal to assist Great Britain, for building and equipping ships here for subsequent delivery to the British."

ITALIANS FLEEING
OVER VAST AREA

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A military informant here said the Italian colonials had fought better than the Italians themselves, and that the commander of the garrison fled in a mule cart.

One of his officers was represented as so disgusted at this reflection that, when British soldiers entered the town, he led them to the Italians' hidden stores, including field guns, machine guns, gasoline and stores and food supplies.

FOR HOME CONSUMPTION

ROME, Dec. 18 (AP).—Italians were told today that Marshal Graziani's forces in Libya had turned to tactics of trying to "wear down" the pursuing British Army of the Nile.

The final victory, Virginia Gayda, authoritative editor, assured his readers, won't depend on who occupies the most territory but on who inflicts the heaviest losses.

The Italians, he claimed, are dealing out "ruthless punishment" are resisting inch by inch, and are far from beaten.

It Popolo Di Roma marked the tenth day of the British offensive with the declaration that Italian artillery and aviation had littered the desert battlefields with wrecks of "dozens" of British tanks and armored cars.

The high command, reporting on yesterday's operations, saw the British force as "worn down" and weakened by losses, and said they had slowed down their pressure.

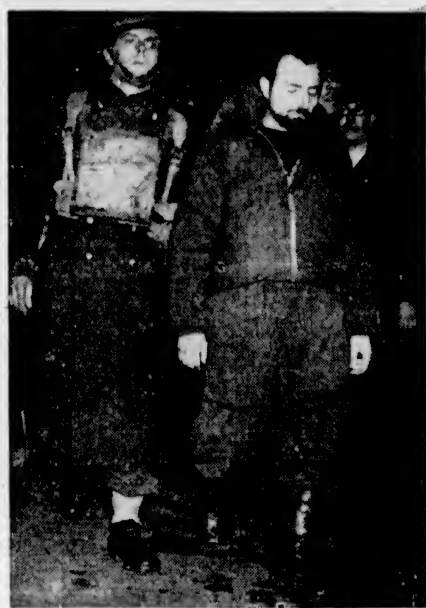
TO REASSURE READERS

It Popolo sought to reassure its readers with a picture of white Italian troops from the mainland, with motorized equipment, fighting the "second phase" of the battle after Libyan infantrymen were overwhelmed in Egypt by the British forces and driven back from Sidi Barrani.

It is estimated at least 800 British tanks and armored cars were used in the first attacks, and these outmaneuvered and outstripped the Libyans in Sidi Barrani and the Egyptian desert zone under cover of sandstorms.

Now, said the paper, the armies are fighting "hard and fiercely" in the triangle between Salum, Bardia and Port Capuzzo, Libya, and the battle will be decided there.

Reaches London--by Train



This Italian Airman Set Out to Bomb London, But He Didn't Have Much Success With the Bombing. He Arrived in the British Capital, But Under Escort and by Train.

It did not mention that Salum and Port Capuzzo are in British hands.

REPORTED EVIDENCE

Gayda gave this purported evidence of British successes: Nine trainloads of wounded hauled into Cairo on the third day of the desert battle; others left dead on the field; still others too badly wounded to be taken back.

It Messagero asserted an impending decree would authorize execution of food hoarders by firing squads in extreme cases.

RAF, COMMUNIQUE

CAIRO, Dec. 18 (AP).—The Middle East Command of the Royal Air Force issued the following communique Wednesday:

Heavy rain in the Western Desert yesterday restricted air activity considerably. Nevertheless, aircraft of the RAF continued to attack Bardia both during the day and the previous night.

Three large fires were started in the equipment. Outside the town a large quantity of motor transport was damaged.

Reconnaissance flights showed the enemy retreating toward Derna. Our fighters machine-gunned the retreating troops between Bardia and Tobruk. During their patrols they shot down one Macchi 300 and one CR-42 in flames. Another Macchi and a CR-42 were damaged.

Derna was raided during last night, all bombs falling on the air-drome. Owing to bad weather the damage was not observed.

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**MILITARIANS FINED
ON THEFT CHARGE**

Convicted on a charge of stealing three pipes and a cigarette case valued at a total of \$17 from the shop of W. J. Clubb on December 11, N. L. Maughan, C. Alberley, J. D. Morgan and S. Scott, soldiers, were each fined \$5 in the city police court yesterday.

Evidence of the theft was given by W. Cecil Clubb, Corporal Percy T. Dowell told of rounding up the accused on descriptions furnished by Mr. Clubb. Alberley, spokesman for the four soldiers, contended they had all been quite drunk at the time of the offence.



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TURN DEADLY FIRE
ON FASCIST TOWNS

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Palermo and Tepeleli guard roads leading north along the coast to the important supply port of Valona, and forts north and west of Pogradetz are sentinels along the road to the Albanian capital, Tirana, from the Yugoslav frontier.

At the opposite end of the battle-front, where three days of snow have packed down on last week's drifts and temperatures have fallen each day, Italian and Greek forces alike were said to be suffering intensely from the cold.

MANY FROST BITTEN

A Greek army doctor said 75 per cent of the Italian prisoners taken in that sector were severely frost bitten. Veterans of Italian Alpine regiments were quoted as saying the cold was worse than anything they had experienced.

The wounded of both armies have to be carried for miles on hand-borne stretchers and pack mules, taking several days in some cases to get them back to hospitals.

It was from this hardship-ridden front, however, that the Greeks reported "one of the major successes of recent days"—capture of a camouflaged fortified position in which the Italians had held out for days.

The captured stronghold was understood to have been near the Yugoslav frontier, where the Greeks have been mopping up isolated Italian posts, some of them on heights almost impossible to reach because of the deep snow.

RAF BOMBS COLUMN

The Royal Air Force issued the following communique today:

"During a fierce snowstorm yesterday, bomber aircraft of the Royal Air Force attacked a motor transport column on the coastal road between Agbistrada and Valona.

"Owing to weather conditions, it was not possible to observe the full effect of the bombing, but a number of bombs were seen to burst on the roadside near the transports, and, in addition, vehicles were machine-gunned.

"From all operations, all our aircraft returned safely."

**LONDON SEES NO
SIGNS OF RAIDERS**

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Ivy and the Ministry of Home Security said:

BOMBER SHOT DOWN

"A German bomber was shot down off Dover this afternoon by our fighters without loss to themselves. Otherwise there is nothing to report.

Keeping up its air offensive, the Royal Air Force roared through Tuesday night's rain squalls to blast the German industrial centre of Mannheim for the second straight night. Some of the fires started in the raid on Monday night were seen to be still burning, and several fresh fires were caused. German-held Channel ports and airdromes also were attacked.

Southwest German cities have been targets of British planes three times in the past six nights.

**Holding Levee on
New Year's Day**

OTTAWA, Dec. 18 (CP).—Main-

lining the custom of previous years, the vice-regal levee will be held on New Year's Day.

Sir Shuldham Redfern, secretary to the Governor-General, advised gentlemen of Ottawa that they may present their respects to His Majesty's representative on New Year's morning.

The custom of the levee, which stems from the time of the French court, represents the privilege of the ordinary individual to shake the hand of the King's representative. It goes back, past the earliest days of Confederation to the French rule in Quebec.

PLEA UNAVAILING

ATLANTA, Dec. 18 (AP).—A negro went to his local draft board to claim exemption. "On what grounds?" inquired Chairman O. C. Puckett. "I am overtrained and unavailably," the negro pleaded.

PREPARED TO
MEET ATTACK

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the pressure on the Italians in Albania and Africa.

FAVORABLE FOR WEEKS

The moon and tides will favor either an invasion attempt or raids from now until Christmas, and attackers would have the benefit of Channel fogs and sixteen-hour-long nights.

"Naturally we are on the alert," a British spokesman said. "It would be just like Hitler to try to spoil our Christmas or at least try to make us nervous by moving men and boats around on his side of the Channel."

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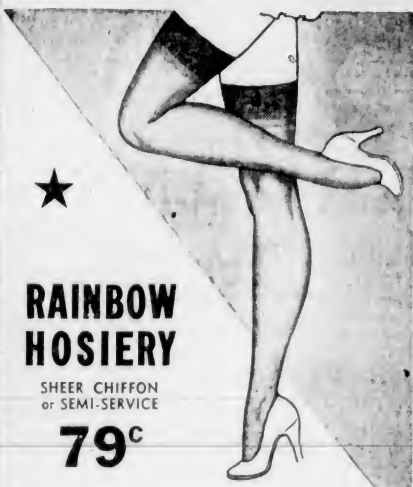
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CHARGED AT NANAIMO

NANAIMO, Dec. 18.—Joe Jack, known as Chong Lee, was formally charged in police court today with possession of opium at Red

Gap on September 1. The Oriental was arrested in Victoria on December 16 following a three-month search by Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Remand was granted until Friday.

SETTLER ALONE DIES IN NORTH

Elderly Man Taken by Heart
Seizure at Upper Barriere,
In Interior

Reports to the Provincial Police yesterday from Upper Barriere, sixty-one miles north of Kamloops, told of the lonely death of Bert Ferguson, a fifty-five-year-old resident of the area, who died of heart failure while stooping over a bucket of water. His body was found two weeks later, with the head frozen solidly into the wall of ice.

Neighbors, failing to see Ferguson about his home for a fortnight, investigated and reported discovery of the body to the police. Examination later showed that the man had died of heart failure, apparently while washing in the pail.

Little was known about the settler, save that he had been in poor health for some time past. He had worked in the neighborhood at various tasks, including relief labor. No immediate relatives are known at present.

Obituary

CAMPBELL—There passed away yesterday at St. Joseph's Hospital, Mrs. Mary Irene Campbell, wife of William Henry Campbell, of 31 South Turner Street, in her forty-seventh year. She was born in Ontario and had been living here for fifteen years, coming here from Winnipeg, where she had lived for twenty-five years. Besides her husband, she leaves two daughters, Mrs. W. J. Thomas, Alberni, and Mrs. W. H. Pollard, Victoria; one grandson, three brothers, James Dowdle, Winnipeg, and Herbert and William Dowdle, in Drumheller, Alta.; also three nephews and one niece. Mrs. Campbell was a member of the Daughters of England, Primrose Lodge. The funeral will be held on Friday, 2 p.m. from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel, Mrs. Fiera Frampton officiating, followed by cremation at Royal Oak.

JEFFERY—Trooper Geoffrey George Ker Jeffery, of the 5th C.M.C.R., died yesterday morning in the Esquimalt Military Hospital, aged twenty-five years. He was born at Port Coquitlam, B.C., and leaves his widow at Esquimalt, and his mother, Mrs. Margaret Ker Jeffery, and two sisters, Norma and Elinor, and one brother, Barrie, in North Vancouver. The remains are at the Sands' Funeral Chapel, where an inquest will be held on Friday morning at 10 o'clock, after which they will be sent to Vancouver for service and interment in the family plot.

SCOTT—The death occurred yesterday of Mrs. Mary Margaret Matilda Scott, wife of John Henry Scott, of 1829 Lillian Road, aged sixty years. She was born in Amherstburg, Ont., and had been living here for the last three and a half years. She leaves, besides her husband, one daughter, Miss Wrentham Scott, at home; two sisters, Mrs. T. J. Emerson, Moose Jaw, Sask., and Rev. Mother Mary Francis, and two brothers, Maurice Navin, Moose Jaw, and Frederick Navin, Vancouver. The remains will rest in Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel until this evening, when they will be conveyed to Our Lady of Lourdes Church, where services will be offered at 8 o'clock. Requiem Mass will be celebrated by Rev. J. R. Buckley at 9 o'clock Friday morning and interment will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

SMITHURST—A large congregation attended the funeral of James Smithurst yesterday afternoon from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel. Rev. George Biddle conducting the service. The hymns, "Abide With Me" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" were sung. A profusion of beautiful floral tributes surrounded the casket. The following were the pallbearers: J. Bromley, D. Randall, L. J. Bradshaw, R. W. Cruikshank, Dr. S. Youden and Dr. B. E. Nickels. The remains were laid at rest in the family plot in Ross Bay Cemetery.

EARLE—Many sorrowing friends attended the funeral of Mrs. Annie Earle held yesterday from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel. Canon Chadwick conducting the service. The hymns sung were "Lead, Kindly Light" and "Rock of Ages." An abundance of beautiful floral offerings was received. The following were the pallbearers: L. C. Hulbert, R. D. Warrand, D. Smith, J. McCabe, J. Nolan and H. P. John. The remains were laid at rest in Royal Oak Burial Park.

MCCLYMONT—Funeral service will be held in Vancouver tomorrow for Thomas McClymont, sixty-two-year-old Prince Rupert pioneer, who died in Vancouver on Tuesday. A native of Scotland, Mr. McClymont had been in British Columbia thirty-one years, and had lived most of that time in Prince Rupert, where he was a former mayor. At the time of his death he was police magistrate.

THOMAS—Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock in McCall Bros. Funeral Chapel for Miss Jane Thomas, Rev. Hugh McLeod will conduct the service, and interment will be made in Royal Oak Burial Park.

VIVIAN—Funeral services for Philip Vivian were held yesterday afternoon from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Rev. J. R. Effe officiated and interment took place in the family plot at Colwood Burial Park.

CLEATOR—There passed away peacefully in this city on December 17 Mrs. Isabella Cleator at the age of seventy-seven years. She was

A Corner of Kiwanis Crafts Shop



A corner of the Kiwanis Occupational Crafts Store at 1033 Fort Street, is shown in the above picture. All the articles in the shop are made by persons convalescing from tuberculosis, at the Kiwanis Workshop, 901 Fairfield Road. It is to carry on this work that the club is holding its Christmas seal campaign, and earnestly appeals to the generosity of Victorians. Returns for the seals may be mailed or left at the campaign headquarters, 1453 Douglas Street.

City & District

Final Meeting—The final 1940 meeting of the police commission will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Alter Building—G. A. Carey secured a \$750 city building permit yesterday to convert a store at 1833 Fairfield Road into an apartment.

Traffic Cases—Three motorists were each fined \$250 in the city police court yesterday for parking over the hour limit. A pedestrian paid a \$1 fine for ignoring a traffic signal.

Pleads Guilty—An old offender who admitted being intoxicated along View Street on Tuesday was sentenced to serve twenty days in jail at hard labor when he appeared in the city police court yesterday.

To Give Recital—Robert Harkness, who celebrated piano and composition, is making a return visit to the city this evening and will give a recital at the Douglas Street Baptist Church at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

Woman Fined—A woman represented by Frank Higgins, K.C., was fined \$20 in the city police court for driving in a manner dangerous to the public at Douglas Street and Princess Avenue on December 1. Evidence of an accident was given by Constable Brook Douglas.

Gets Presentation—At the Woolen Mills, Tuesday evening, Captain A. A. Ramsay, O.C. 1st Searchlight Battery, R.C.A. NPAM, was presented with a handsome fitted dressing case as a token of esteem and appreciation from the officers, N.C.O.s and men.

More Motor Vehicles—With a total registration of 121,998 motor vehicles, British Columbia motor licenses reached a new peak in November, the traffic branch of the British Columbia Police reported yesterday. The figures implied an increase of 5 per cent in car registrations during the year closing.

For Obstruction—A man who pleaded guilty to a charge of obstructing a sidewalk on Fort Street by means of planks projecting from a parked truck on November 27 was fined \$5 in the city police court yesterday. "The by-law says a street must not be blocked in this manner," Magistrate Henry C. Hall commented.

City's Temperatures—Maximum and minimum temperatures recorded yesterday at the Dominion Meteorological Observatory on Gonzales Hill were 50 and 45 degrees, respectively. The maximum temperature observed on the grounds of the Strathcona Hotel was 52 degrees and minimum 44 degrees. Rainfall at the hotel yesterday amounted to .01 of an inch.

Committee Named—At a meeting this week in the Y.W.C.A. the following committee was appointed to make arrangements for the afternoon meetings to be held in connection with the world-wide annual week of prayer from January 6 to 11, inclusive. Rev. James Hyde, Rev. Daniel Walker, Rev. J. Markie Niven, Dr. J. W. Hewitt and H. L. Hopkins, the latter to act as secretary.

Officers Elected—Ward One Conservative Association members met last night in Room 104, Union Building, to elect officers and delegates to the central executive. Mrs. R. E. Chambers was named president. Mrs. C. McGee, vice-president, Mrs. J. L. Moore, secretary, treasurer, and delegates were chosen as follows: Joseph L. Moore, J. L. Moore, Mrs. Hilda Hones and Mrs. R. Campbell.

In Collision—Automobiles driven by K. Rankin 1449 Craigflower Road, and Phillip G. Butterfield, 1733 Denman Street, sustained damage at 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning in a collision at Vancouver and McCluskey Streets. Mrs. Dorothy Butler, a passenger in the Butler field car sustained a cut on her head and shock when thrown to the pavement by the impact. She was attended at St. Joseph's Hospital by Dr. Lloyd W. Bassett.

VETERANS HOLD ANNUAL FROLIC

Programme of Entertainment
Featured at Concert
Of Naval Unit

One of the most successful of the annual Christmas concerts was held at the Naval Veterans' Branch of the Canadian Legion last night, when over seventy members heard a full programme of entertainment provided by members and assisting artists.

Following the introductory words by Branch President J. J. Wittcomb, who welcomed the members to the concert, Chairman E. S. Mitchell took over the management of the concert.

Joseph Dobbe rendered several of his famed Scottish songs during the evening, as well as participating in a Spanish act that was well received by the large audience. Also obliging with several baritone solos, A. Jackman sang such popular tunes as "Glorious Devon" and "There's a Land."

SEVERAL CORNET SOLOS. Included on the programme were several cornet solos by Owen Pettigrew, a member of the guest orchestra. W. Holmes and W. Anderson, well-known entertainers played "Bells of St. Mary" and "Danny Boy" in a musical duet of concertina and violin.

In addition to the community singing by the Naval Veterans, led by Cecil Heaton at the piano, William Creed was called on by the audience to sing two of his Cockney songs. G. Potts gave a humorous monologue, and a novelty dance was supplied by R. Hunt. Highlight of the evening was the "Nautical Pantomime" as played by the orchestra, with A. Jackman, vocalist.

Tribute was paid to three of the oldest Naval Veteran members in the organization by George Fenton, Charles Bates, who joined in 1880; Harry Lauder, who joined in 1881, and W. H. Woodford, who joined in 1879, were welcomed by the other guests.

Announcements

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Auto Caravan Plan Dropped By Officials

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This year's entry list is slightly below last year's and covers a wider territory. Twenty-five homes are entered, but it was thought unwise to organize a caravan as the distance to be traveled to view the entries was considered too great.

Nevertheless, chamber officials are expecting that the competition will be highly successful. Entries closed yesterday, but judging will not be completed until next Tuesday.

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Society and Women's Affairs

Princess Juliana Pays Visit to Mount Vernon

Mrs. Roosevelt Accompanies Royal Guest on Sight-Seeing Tour in Washington—Later Attend Symphony Concert

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 (AP).—What especially interested Crown Princess Juliana of the Netherlands at Mount Vernon today was the lack of cupboard space in George Washington's home.

The Princess, a shy, rather wistful-looking young woman, but much prettier and slimmer than her pictures, visited Mount Vernon with Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt at the outset of her three-day stay at the White House.

Mrs. Horace M. Towner, resident

director, showed Mrs. Roosevelt and the Princess through the main house and outside kitchen. It was in the bedrooms in the main house that the Princess murmured her puzzlement that there seemed "so few cupboards."

RECEIVES WELCOME

The future Queen of the Netherlands, now a refugee in Canada with her two children, received a democratic welcome when she arrived this morning on her first visit to United States.

She was greeted formally by representatives of the State Department and members of the Netherlands Legation in the presidential room at the Union Station, where King George and Queen Elizabeth were welcomed on their visit in 1939.

They saw a young woman, she is thirty-one—about five feet four inches tall, a substantial sort of person with a ready, friendly smile. She had on a knee-length light blue coat over a black wool frock. Her hat was a black off-the-face model. Her gloves and pouch bag were black antelope. She wore small, gold bow-knot earrings with an emerald centre.

"She doesn't look like the happy, rosy-cheeked girl she was a few years ago," murmured a woman who had seen her at the coronation of King George in London.

With her lady-in-waiting, Baroness de Vos, and the Baron, who is the Princess' chamberlain, the Princess was driven to the White House.

At the sound of the cars coming up the half-moon drive at the Pennsylvania Avenue entrance to the White House, Mrs. Roosevelt, wearing a holly-red wool dress—a gay bit of color against the Christmas trees at the door—came out on to the front steps. Smiling, she welcomed Princess Juliana with a warm handshake.

GO SIGHT-SEEING

After lunch the Princess started out to go sight-seeing, like all visitors. With Mrs. Roosevelt pointing out the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial, the party headed for Mount Vernon.

On the drive back to town they paused in the early dusk beside the Lincoln Memorial to see the famous statue looking broodingly out toward the Washington Monument.

The President joined the party for tea at the White House. After a quiet family dinner, the Princess, the Baron and Baroness were guests of Mrs. Roosevelt in her box at a concert of the National Symphony Orchestra, which was conducted by Hans Krieger, a native of Holland.

Women's Institutes

SOOKE

The annual meeting of the Sooke and North Sooke Institute was held recently at the home of Mrs. F. Runyon. Mrs. D. Lavender presided. The following officers were elected: Mrs. H. S. Morton, president; Mrs. W. Condor, vice-president; secretary, Miss Zara Pike; executive, Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. O. Fredrickson. It was decided to send a Christmas gift to the club at the Bolarium adopted by the institute at the November meeting. It was approved, upon motion, that the institute act as local association for the Sooke Girl Guides. The gift for the monthly contest must not exceed 25 cents, the proceeds to be put in the War Efforts Box. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. Condor on the second Friday in the new year. Tea was served by the hostess.

EQUIMALT

A turkey drive will be held by Equimalt W.I. this evening at St. Paul's Parish Hall at 8:15 o'clock. Progressive five hundred will be played and the proceeds will go towards benevolent work. Mrs. N. Kelly is the general convenor.

Recently Married in Victoria Tells Society About Music For Christmas



MR. AND MRS. W. LUNDY

Whose marriage took place recently at St. Barnabas' Church, are seen with the flower girl, Yvonne Hunt, granddaughter of Mrs. Lundy, who before her marriage was Mrs. Violet O. M. Hunt. Mr. Lundy comes from Salt Spring Island.

Clubs and Societies

Christ Church W.A.

The afternoon branch of the Christ Church Cathedral W.A. held the annual meeting on Monday, when officers of the various departments presented their reports. Excellent reports were also received from the girls' and junior branches. Meetings have been held weekly much work accomplished, thanks to the indefatigable Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Dwyer, and interest well sustained by addresses and systematic missionary study. All pledges were fully met and balances voted on. The branch contributed to the work of the diocese by providing a host for the Northern Mission. Rev. S. H. Elliot, Dean of Columbia, gave a helpful address. On behalf of the members, Mrs. C. Gardiner presented the president with a beautiful flowering plant as a mark of appreciation. All officers were returned with the exception of Mrs. F. Felt, the united thanksgiving secretary who was unable to stand for re-election and was warmly thanked for her services, the work having steadily progressed in the seven years she has held office. The officers were: Honorary president, Mrs. S. H. Elliot; president, Mrs. M. W. MacKenzie; first vice-president, Mrs. E. Bird; second vice-president, Mrs. Wormald; treasurer, Mrs. T. J. Greenway; recording secretary, Miss M. Rathbone; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Price; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Dwyer; educational, Miss Rosa Jones; united thanksgiving, Mrs. A. C. Clarke; extra cent, Mrs. C. T. Wright; youth superintendent, Mrs. Caldwell; Little Helpers, Mrs. Caldwell; Living Message, Mrs. Finlison; prayer partner, Mrs. Merris; social service, Miss Allenby; and representatives to the board, Mrs. C. Gardiner and Mrs. J. D. MacDonald.

Centennial Guild

The annual meeting of the Centennial Church Ladies' Guild was held in the church parlor on Tuesday, the president, Mrs. W. MacKenzie, in the chair. Reports showed a successful year's work and many sweaters and socks were turned in to the Red Cross. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. MacKenzie; vice-president, Mrs. McCormack; secretary, Mrs. J. Jeffries; treasurer, Mrs. Grey; recording secretary, Mrs. J. Bruce; flower secretary, Mrs. McCormack; and Miss E. Brooks, and social, Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Almond.

Knox Y.W.A.

The monthly meeting of the Young Women's Auxiliary of Knox Presbyterian Church was held at the home of the Misses McPhail, 2641 Forbes Street, on Tuesday evening, the president, Miss Peggy McPhail, presiding. The meeting opened with the singing of a Christmas hymn and prayer, after which general business was discussed, the meeting closing with the singing of a Christmas hymn and the Mosaic Benediction. The rooms were decorated with Christmas garlands and decorations and the Christmas tree was pretty with its colored lights and various decorations. Santa Claus arrived soon after the close of the meeting in the person of Mr. H. Curtis and Miss Ella Wilshire. Chinese checkers, first games were enjoyed, the lucky winners being for the quiz contest, first Miss Peggy Linn, and consolation Mrs. H. Curtis and Miss Ella Wilshire. Chinese checkers, first game winners, had been a wily wisp long ago.

Speedwell Circle

The monthly meeting of the Speedwell Circle of the Kings Daughters was held on Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Terry. Arrangements were made for the Christmas work. It was announced that Miss Doreen Maynard won the lot that was the prize for the guessing contest held at the Christmas bazaar.

Guid of Friendship

The Guild of Friendship will hold a Christmas party on Saturday, 4 p.m. There will be a miscellaneous shower for Miss Dorothy Spencer, a bride-to-be.

Air Services Group

The meeting of Group Three, Women's Auxiliary to the Air Services, at the Y.M.C.A. for this evening has been canceled.

Canadian Daughters

The social meeting of the Canadian Daughters' League will be held this evening, at 8 o'clock, in the Shrine Hall.

Housewives' League

Owing to the holidays, the Victoria District Housewives' League will not meet today.

Tells Society About Music For Christmas

Under the major divisions of "Larger Works," "Anthems," "Carols" and "Major Works," Eric Edwards, L.R.S.M., yesterday morning—discussed—"Christmas Music" in an interesting way for the Victoria Music Teachers' Association, the subject gaining in interest by the vocal illustrations supplied by Miss Audrey Townsend, soprano.

As examples of the larger works commonly associated with the Christmas season, Mr. Edwards first mentioned Handel's "Messiah," as now given here annually about this time, and Bach's "Christmas Oratorio." Miss Townsend sang two numbers from the latter, "How Shall I Fully Meet Thee" and "Beside the Cradle." The Bach oratorio, the speaker commented, was not really oratorio, as the parts were intended to be sung separately, one on each day of the six days of the festive season.

In connection with the reference to carols, the fifteenth century carol "Glo' to Us, Boy Was Born" (arranged by Geoffrey Shaw), was sung by Miss Townsend. Mr. Edwards regretted that choir and congregations were not more eager to learn unfamiliar compositions, as there were many little-used beautiful carols. Many anthems of great beauty suffered neglect for the same reason or because they were so difficult that they were beyond the capacities of most choirs.

Tchaikovsky's "The Legend" was used to illustrate the reference to Christmas songs.

Miss Ethel James, president of the club, was in the chair. At the business meeting, arrangements were made for a tea and musical programme to be held under the society's auspices on the afternoon of Saturday, January 25. Mrs. Gladys Hicks is convening the programme.

GIRL IS MISSING ON GALIANO ISLAND

GALIANO, B.C. Dec. 18 (CP).—British Columbia police continued a search today for Miss Belle David, twenty-six, who has been missing from her home at nearby Retreat Cove since December 11. She was last seen in a store at the south end of this wooded Gulf Island, and it is feared she may be lost in the woods.

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Invigilating Jim Brewster, noted horseman of those parts, into a bit of research, however, she rode with Mr. Frank Proctor, who with Lady Eaton is a joint master of the Toronto Hunt Club, and with him saw the Eaton Stables and had tea with Lady Eaton.

In Victoria, where she will stay a month at the Empress Hotel, she plans some seashore riding with the Victoria Riding Club.

HER HEART IS SET ON A Tea Wagon

Quian, Thomas Wong, Harry Lim and David Yuen, Chinese secretary Roy Mah, English secretary, Alfred Wong; treasurer, Lincoln Mar; convenors are Education, C. K. Lee; employment, Eric Joe, social, Josephine Wong; publication, Mary Hong; organizer, Ruth Leung; publicity, Robert Lowe, and sport, Bill Lowe.

ST. ANDREW'S
On Friday at 8 p.m. the Young People's Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will entertain a group of soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, The Canadian Scottish Regiment, in the lecture room. All young people and their friends are welcome.

The regular meeting of the Young People's Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church was held on Monday evening. Following the business meeting, Margaret Stewart, assisted by Fred Arnot at the piano, led a Christmas vesper service. After the call to worship, the carol "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful" was sung. Lily Wilson gave the Scripture reading. A trio, composed of Allan Anderson, Fred Mitchell and Rev. J. L. W. McLean, sang the carol "Three Kings." Responsive reading was done by Margaret Stewart and Gordon Winter, followed by the singing of "Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem" by the gathering.

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Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest



Social and Personal Will Help at Annual Ball

Back From Vancouver
His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor returned to Government House yesterday after attending a meeting in Vancouver of the selection committee of the Rhodes Scholarship trustees, of which he is chairman.

Tea Hostess
Miss Winifred Moorhouse entertained at the tea hour recently at her home on Crescent Road. Mrs. M. Moorhouse presided at the tea table and Isabel Jewell, Grace McDowell, Margaret Beattie and Mrs. Batchelor assisted in serving. The invited guests were Isabel Jewell, Grace McDowell, Muriel Malcolm, Marjorie White, Frances and Orleans Patterson, Dorothy Whiting, Eileen Griffin, Brenda and Barbara Smith, Audrey Lovell, Marion Putnam, Martha Armstrong, Mrs. Gay, Irene Gouillon, Margaret Godely, Margaret Beattie, Mrs. Batchelor, Jane Clague, Kay Rau, Nan Stuart, Sheila Graves, Helen Ferguson, Dorothy Douglas and Alice Stone.

Honored Sister at Tea
Mrs. A. J. Stevenson, 3011 Quadra Street, entertained at the tea hour yesterday afternoon in honor of her sister, Miss Jean Newcomb, whose marriage to Mr. L. F. Matthews takes place during Christmas week. The bride-to-be was presented with a

corsage bouquet of red rosebuds. The reception room was prettily decorated with single deep red chrysanthemums. Mrs. J. M. Newcomb presided at the tea table, which was centered with a Yuletide motif and lighted by red tapers in silver sconces. Misses Parrott and Pottinger assisted their hostess in serving. The guests were Mesdames G. H. Pottinger, D. W. Morry, B. E. Stirling, B. Noel, J. Holland, J. M. Newcomb, N. Black, M. Kendall, F. Noel, C. Parrott, S. Noel, H. P. Shade, W. Liddiard, G. Parley, and Misses G. Rendell, H. Bradshaw, M. Matthews, E. John, R. Pottinger, Jean Kendall, M. Parrott, B. Lillard, Patsy and Margaret Stevenson.

Received Useful Gifts
Miss Irene Williams, a bride-to-be of the month, received many useful gifts for her new kitchen last evening at the shower given in her honor by Mrs. Allister MacFarlane and Mrs. Huntly Miller, and held at the former's home, 845 Falkland Road. The rooms were prettily arranged with shaggy white chrysanthemums and holly. The gifts were presented in a big clothes basket and Miss Williams also received a corsage bouquet of red carnations. Miss Phyllis Williams poured at supper time at a table covered with a red cloth and centered with a poin-



MRS. T. A. JOHNSTON

Who, with Miss F. McNeill, will have charge of marshaling the little guests at the children's fancy dress ball to be held by the Navy League Chapter, I.O.D.E., at the Empress Hotel on December 27. The patrons for which, convened by Mrs. J. H. Gillespie, gave a generous informal programme of appropriate trios, quartets, quintets, and other instrumental music. Members of this pleasing ensemble were Mrs. F. W. L. Moore, Mrs. J. Wilkins, Miss L. Parfitt, Miss A. Dennstedt, Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. William Ellis, Miss Isabel Pike, Miss R. Parfitt, Miss Selma Reeves, Miss Roseanne Gillespie and Miss Talbot. Miss Pike added much enjoyed vocal numbers, and Mrs. Ellis, by special request, recited two favorites of last year's programme, "Albert and the Lion" and "Albert Comes Back."

Transferred to the Victoria branch of the Confederation Life Association. Mr. and Mrs. Annett are making their home here at 2529 Bowker Avenue.

Leaves for Alberta
Miss Mary Jellie, R.N. has left for Edmonton, Alberta, where her marriage to Mr. Jim McCague will take place on December 29. Mrs. W. McCague and the bridegroom-to-be will leave Victoria on Sunday, December 22, for Elson.

Coming for Holidays
Mr. Douglas Robertson is arriving here by plane from Vancouver on Christmas Eve to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Fred Robertson, at "Drummond." Sinclair Road.

Will Be "At Home"
Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Rosier, Tynard Avenue, Gordon Head, will be "at home" to their friends on Thursday, December 26, from 3 to 6, and the bridegroom-to-be will leave Victoria on Sunday, December 22, for Elson.

Here for Christmas
Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Wilbert, Vancouver, will arrive here on Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Porritt, 84 Moss Street.

Arrive From Ottawa
Mrs. W. H. Chapman and her three children arrived yesterday from Rockcliffe Park, Ottawa, to spend several months in Victoria and are at present at the Oakbay Beach Hotel.

Here for Holidays
Miss Mary Wiekson returned yesterday from the University of Washington to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Wiekson, Transit Road.

From Halifax
Private Maurice Beedham, The Canadian Scottish Regiment, has arrived from Halifax to spend the Christmas season with his mother, Mrs. J. A. Beedham, Yale Street.

Y.M.C.A. to Hold Annual "At Home"
On New Year's Day

The annual "at home" and open house will be held at the Y.M.C.A. on New Year's Day from 2 to 5 p.m. A programme of entertainment including special music arranged by Mrs. W. A. Jameson, and the serving of afternoon tea will be featured. In addition, sports activities of various types will take place in the gymnasium and swimming pool during the afternoon.

The entire programme for the holiday season follows:
December 19, Phalanx Club dinner at 6, December 20, boys' club entertainment at 7:30, December 22, Sunday evening sing-song at 9 in charge of St. Mary's Y.P.S., December 23, boys' special swim frolic at 4:30, December 26, gymnasium and pool open to men in uniform 9 to 5, "Round Robin" games tournament at 2:30, Swimming Club gala and social at 7:15, December 27, Prep supper and entertainment at 5:30, December 28, Junior Leader Corps luncheon at 12:15, December 29, Sunday evening sing-song at 9, in charge of Parkdale Y.P.S., December 30, inter-school volleyball tournament at 7, December 31, New Year's Eve party at 8, January 1, open house at 2, January 3, city-wide Hi-Y supper at 8.

Leave for California
Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Hammond, who arrived here a week ago from Cadomin, Alberta, and who have been staying at the Oakbay Beach Hotel, left yesterday for California to spend the remainder of the winter. They are planning to return to Victoria in the Spring. Mr. Hammond is chairman of the Cadomin Coal Mines in Alberta.

To Live Here
Mrs. C. C. Annett arrived on Monday morning from Port Arthur to join her husband, who has been

Workroom Tea Party Is Enjoyed

Festive decorations, effected with branches of long-needed pine, bronzed cones, berried holly and lighted red and green candles, made the tea tables gay for the annual Christmas party given to the needwomen of the Women's Workroom by the Committee Tuesday afternoon.

A highlight of the occasion was the presence of Mrs. E. W. Hamber who, accompanied by Mrs. Mac Rice, spent an hour at the party, taking tea with the other guests, with each of whom she chatted for a short time, and cutting the beautiful red Christmas cake presented by Miss L. Ogilvie.

The president, Mrs. Alan Morkill, being absent, Mrs. A. F. H. MacGachen, acting president, welcomed Mrs. Hamber and Mrs. Rice, others in the reception group being the tea convener, Mrs. T. L. Thorpe-Douglas, Miss F. Fitz Gibbon, Mrs. R. R. Taylor, Mrs. Alec Gillespie and Mrs. Hermann Robertson.

SING CAROLS
About thirty-five of the Workroom staff, headed by Mrs. Chapin, the manager, attended the tea, and both during and after the bountiful repast served at the attractively decorated tables, joined heartily in the singing of "Silent Night," "Hark the Herald Angels," "O Come All Ye Faithful," "First Nowell," and other carols and hymns.

These were accompanied at the piano by Miss E. G. Finch Page, who was pianist also in the orchestra which, convened by Mrs. J. H. Gillespie, gave a generous informal programme of appropriate trios, quartets, quintets, and other instrumental music. Members of this pleasing ensemble were Mrs. F. W. L. Moore, Mrs. J. Wilkins, Miss L. Parfitt, Miss A. Dennstedt, Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. William Ellis, Miss Isabel Pike, Miss R. Parfitt, Miss Selma Reeves, Miss Roseanne Gillespie and Miss Talbot. Miss Pike added much enjoyed vocal numbers, and Mrs. Ellis, by special request, recited two favorites of last year's programme, "Albert and the Lion" and "Albert Comes Back."

THANKS WORKERS
Miss Fitz Gibbon, representing Red Cross headquarters, thanked the Workroom needwomen for the generous contribution they had made to the Red Cross toward the purchase of wool and woven comforts for babies in the bombed areas. Each one who contributed could have the satisfaction of knowing that some little child, as the result of their gift, was wearing a comfortable warm garment.

Mrs. Brown, on behalf of the guests, made a delightful speech of appreciation and thanks to Mrs. Hamber and the members of the committee who were their hostesses: Mrs. MacGachen, Mrs. Thorpe-Douglas, Mrs. R. R. Taylor, Mrs. Alec Gillespie, Mrs. J. H. Gillespie, Mrs. Hermann Robertson, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. E. Fitz Gibbon, Mrs. Unsworth, Mrs. Denton Holmes, Miss Rennie, Miss Ruth Jones, Miss M. Macrae, Miss E. G. Finch Page, Mrs. C. Swayne (who was responsible for the decoration of the tables and the pretty handy containers) and the following members who were unable to be present although contributing to the party: Mrs. Morkill, Mrs. Hobart Moison, Mrs. A. H. Pease, Mrs. L. A. George, Mrs. R. Kerr, Mrs. Laurie, Miss Ogilvie and Miss Maxwell.

Miss Roseanna Gillespie and Miss Ruth Jones assisted with serving tea.

CHOIR WILL PRESENT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The choir of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, under the leadership of Harold C. Parfitt, will present a programme of Christmas music this evening at 8 o'clock in the Sunday school room. This will be in the nature of a choir "at home" and part of the evening will be devoted to community carol singing and an informal social.

Special features will include choral numbers by the choir, piano solo, "Clara de L'Europe" by Miss Esther Dicker, vocal solo, "Hail Ye Time of Holidays" (Branscombe), by Miss Catherine Denison; vocal solo, "O Holy Night" (Adams), by Rev. T. H. Harris; solo by David Parfitt, quartet, "The Manger Throne" and "What Child Is This," by Mrs. Roseline Parfitt, H. T. Zala, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Parfitt, the Christmas story by Mrs. H. B. Clark; trio, "Star of the East" (Smart), by Mrs. Norris Harwood, Misses Rosema and Lilian Parfitt. Accompaniments will be played by Mrs. A. H. Thomas.

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MISS RUTH WHITEHEAD

Club annual installation banquet held last night at the Douglas Hotel was much enjoyed both by the hosts and guest organizations.

Miss Marjorie Holmes, retiring president of the Sororist Club, of which the Venture Club is a junior affiliation, conducted the installation, which was one of the last items on the well-arranged programme. In doing so she made a little speech in which she expressed appreciation of the fine spirit of co-operation shown among the members of the Venture Club, evidenced in their splendid achievement of raising sufficient funds during the past year for the purchase of a wheel chair for the Queen Alexandra Salarium. This was giving much happiness to the little patients. She also noted with pleasure the steady growth in Venture Club membership in the United States and Canada, this proving that the organization's aims had an appeal and a place to fill.

Officers installed were Miss Ruth Whitehead, recently re-elected president; Miss Janet Graham, vice-president; Miss Louise Rogers, secretary, and Miss Gerlie Day, treasurer.

TWO PRESENTATIONS
Immediately after the installation, two presentations took place, Janet Graham, the vice-president, on behalf of the members, presenting Miss Whitehead with a box of Rubinstein's perfume, and Miss Whitehead, on behalf of the club, presenting a box of fine linen writing paper to Miss Graham in recognition of her work as secretary during the past year.

Responding to the good wishes extended by Mrs. B. M. Clarke in her toast to the Venture Club, Miss Whitehead voiced the members' appreciation of many kindnesses shown by the Sororist president, Miss Marjorie Holmes, the executive and members during the year, and stated the opportunity to congratulate Mrs. Clarke on her recent election to the presidency of the senior organization. The programme opened with the introduction by the Venture Club president of guests, including Miss Marjorie Holmes, Mrs. B. M. Clarke, Mrs. Fred Robertson, who responded to the toast to the Sororist Club, proposed by Miss Beatrice Hall; Miss Doris Holmes, Miss Mary Holmes, and the artists: Mrs. Clarke's toast

to the Venture Club was responded to by Miss Gwyn Spencer.

MUSICAL PROGRAMME

The very delightful musical programme was by three gifted young musicians: Miss Lorraine Cornish, who gave two pianoforte solos, "Bourree" by Purcell, and "Prelude" by Graham Peet; and two vocal solos, "I Dream of Jeannie" (Braga) and "March" (Carson). Miss Irene Collie, who played two violin selections, "Angel's Serenade" (Braga) and "March" (Carson). Miss Phyllis Hick accompanied the singer, and Lorraine Cornish the violinist.

From a beautifully-decked eight-foot high Christmas tree, one of the hostess club members, in the role of Santa Claus, distributed attractive little gifts for each of the guests, and before the gathering dispersed, Miss Marjorie Holmes, Mrs. Fred Robertson and Mrs. Clarke expressed appreciation of the charming hospitality and beautiful decorations, these last being in charge of Miss Gwyn Spencer, Miss Gerlie Day and Miss Elsie Finlayson.

Christmas Pageant Will Be Presented

A Christmas Gift service will be held in Metropolitan United Church on Sunday, December 22, at 3 o'clock, when the Sunday schools of Metropolitan United Church, the Chinese United Church and the Japanese United Church will join to present a programme centring around a Christmas pageant, titled "The Glory of the Star." Miss Wilma Gardner will take the leading part with a group of primary children from the three schools. Older children will also take part, and C.O.I.T. girls form the choir.

Many well-known Christmas carols, in which all may join, are included on the programme, and these are under the direction of Mr. Frank Tupper. The gifts will be in the form of money instead of the customary white gifts, and will be sent to the Princess Elizabeth Fund in aid of British children suffering from war conditions. Teachers and children have been working hard to make the service a success and an enjoyable afternoon in the true spirit of Christmas is promised.

The public is cordially invited to attend, especially members of the three church congregations. Preceding the service, Mr. Edward Parsons will give an organ recital, commencing at 2:45 o'clock.

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5. We have bright lights at night.	They have blackouts.
6. We are moderately taxed.	They are taxed to the limit.
7. We ARE helping.	They are grasping day and night with "total war."
8. Our children are happy and safe.	Their children confront extreme terrors.
9. We can help every Red Cross effort.	They can use all we can ship.
10. We can send used clothing.	They will get it if we leave it here.

BALANCE THE SCORE!
GIVE "THEY" SOME GOOD CARDS! (Money or good clothing! Buy liberally at the store.)

+ THE RED CROSS Superfluties Store
1220 GOVERNMENT STREET PHONE E 8913



YOUR STORE OF A MILLION GIFTS

"Where a Pleasant, Efficient Staff Makes Shopping Easy"

STORE HOURS

9 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.
Until Christmas



Stop Worrying, Mr. Santa Claus
... She'll Want These

Dainty Lace-Trimmed GOWNS

1⁹⁸

You'll be first in her thoughts every time she touches the glamorous fabrics, caresses the exquisite laces, when she sweeps imperiously to her mirror in one of these enchanting gowns. Some are lavishly be-laced ... others daintily embroidered ... rayon satins and rayon crepes ... tearose and blue in flattering cascade and surplus top styles.

Gift Slips

She may prefer her slips lavish with lace or tailored with simplicity ... but whichever you give her from this group, she'll like ... they all have a look of luxury because of the fine, rich, rayon satins and rayon crepes. Carefully detailed in tearose and white. Each

1⁹⁸

Shetland Bed Jackets

Frothy little garments, lacy knit from fine, imported, Shetland wool, chiffon and wool lined in styles with cardigan or high neck. They're useful and charming ... carrying with your Christmas greeting an invitation to luxury. Each

3⁹⁸

Tailored or Fancy Panties

Heavy rayon or rayon Bemberg satin ... some styles plain and tailored ... as well as a wide choice lace-trimmed or attractively embroidered. Small, medium and large sizes in tearose and white. Pair

1⁵⁹

Lingerie, Fashion Floor at THE BAY



In Time for Christmas

Early Spring Print DRESSES

4⁹⁵

Here are the wonderful date dresses you want for the Christmas holidays ... vivid new prints to give your wardrobe a touch of Spring brightness. Only at "The Bay" can you get these new "Gloria" prints. Choose from shirtmakers and other tailored models in sizes 14 to 20, 38 to 44 and half sizes.

Women's Cardigan Sweaters

Beautifully knit from fine Botany yarns and finished to give perfect fit and comfort. High or V necklines are featured. Assorted Winter shades in sizes 34 to 44. Each

3⁹⁵

Others at ... \$1.98 and \$2.98
Women's Wear, Fashion Floor at THE BAY

Gifts to Please the Smokers on Your List

CIGARETTES
Tins of 50—
Players
Sweet Caporal
Winchester
Buckingham
Wings and
Phillip Morris

60^c

Package of 100—
Players
Sweet Caporal
Winchester

1²⁰

Package of 100—
Gold Flake
Virginia Oaks

1⁵⁰

CIGARS
Box of 25—
Robert Burns
Punch
House of Lords
Tucker's Preferred
Simon's Dimple

2⁵⁰

CIGARS
House of Lords Coronas, 10's \$1.50
Simon's Roosevelts, 10's \$1.50

Box of 25—
White Owl
Arabella
Marguerites

1²⁵

Box of 10—
Robert Burns
Punch
Pandora
House of Lords

1⁰⁰

TOBACCOS
1 1/2 lb. Humidor—
Imperial Mixture
Piccadilly
Tareyton

1⁵⁵

Old Chum, 1 1/2 lb. 80^c
Phillip Morris 80^c
Somerset 80^c
River Shannon 85^c
Edinburgh 70^c

Tobacco, Street Floor at THE BAY



FINE CUT, 1 1/2'S

Ogden's 80^c
Phillip Morris 75^c
Vogue 65^c
Wills 75^c
Sweet Caporal 75^c
Somerset 60^c
River Shannon 65^c
Edinburgh 70^c



Hudson's Bay Company

INCORPORATED 25th MAY 1670.

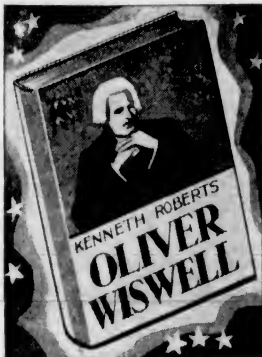
Solve Your Gift Problems With "Bay" Gift Certificates ...

May be made out for any sum ... see the Cashier, General Office, Fourth Floor! The certificates are neat ... easy to slip into an envelope and mail, and they can be used in any "Bay" Store. This will allow the receiver to purchase something really wanted.

Here's the Gift You've Been Waiting For

Kenneth Roberts'

"Oliver Wiswell" 3²⁵



By the writer of "North West Passage" ... this book is hailed by critics as another "Gone With the Wind." Full of action and great battles. The novel's descriptive and narrative style has made Kenneth Roberts America's outstanding historical writer. Gift wrapped.

Stationery, Street Floor at THE BAY

English Toiletry Bags

New and practical ... will make a welcome Christmas gift. Rubber-lined fold bags, finished in attractive floral satins. Two wash cloths and bar of English soap. Each

49^c

KIDDIES' PLAY SUITS

Nurses' uniforms, sizes 4, 6 and 8, also doll set with rubber gloves, rubber aprons and crib sheet

25^c

AIRPLANE SETS

For the boy who likes to build his own planes. Complete with plans

50^c

PHOTO ALBUMS

Black embossed covers with 50 refill-type leaves. Each

1.00

MILITARY DOLLS

Choice of Air Force and Army. Canadian made. Regular 39^c. Special

29^c

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Regular 39^c. Boxed, 16 cards and envelopes in box

29^c

REGULAR 90c BOOKS

Slightly soiled covers but many excellent titles in the lot. Special, each

39^c

Stationery, Street Floor at THE BAY



Whee ... an Electric Train

Complete With Transformer

Boy, oh boy ... a big streamline train! Yes, and it'll be a grand thrill for your boy on Christmas morning! Has engine and four cars, complete with transformer for 50-watt, 60-cycle, alternating current. Special

6⁹⁵

MECHANICAL TRAINS

Engine and three cars in red and grey enamel; 8 curved and 2 straight tracks. Set

2.25

MECHANICAL TRAINS

Engine and 7 cars with 8 curved and 6 straight tracks. Set

3.00

Toyland, Third Floor at THE BAY

... Suggestions of What to Give the

Men of His Majesty's Forces

ALL WOOL SLEEVELESS PULLOVERS
Khaki and Air Force blue. He'll wear it under his tunic. Each

1.50

ALL WOOL SCARF AND GLOVE SETS
Air Force blue and khaki. Neatly boxed. Set

2.95

Khaki Ties
Wools and Jersey Lanes. An excellent quality which assures a smart appearance. Each

1.00

Others at, each

50^c

ALL WOOL KHAKI SOCKS
See the new Penman's khaki socks. All wool, ribbed in a special Winter weight. Reinforced at heels and toes, 10 1/2 to 12. Pair

1.00

BLACK ALL WOOL SOCKS
For the Navy and Air Force. Quality yarns, reinforced at heels and toes. Pair

85^c

OFFICERS' SWAGGER STICKS
Leather covered in dark brown. Each

1.25

HANDKERCHIEFS
Khaki and Air Force blue ... also plain white

25^c

BROADCLOTH SHIRTS
Arrow make, carefully tailored from firmly woven broadcloth. Near collar-attached style. Full fitting sizes. Each

2.00

Men's Furnishings, Street Floor at THE BAY



She'll Prefer "Lady Hudson" Hose

A Box of These Popular Hose Will Be
Sure to Please

89^c 3-Pair
Box, \$2.67

Perfect in every detail ... and perfect for the names on your gift list, because every woman loves nice hose! Popular 4-thread chiffon and 6-thread semi-service pure silk hose. A host of grand shades. We suggest a box of three. Only

\$2.67

"Lady Hudson" Chiffon and
Crepe Hose, Pair

1¹⁵

3-Thread chiffon for smart sheerness ... and crepe hose for women who prefer dull beauty. Made of pure, high-grade silk in beautiful colors.

3 Pairs
\$3.45

"Lady Hudson" Service
Chiffons, Pair

1²⁵

Durable 6-thread service chiffons ... smart looking though durable. Well reinforced. Popular shades.

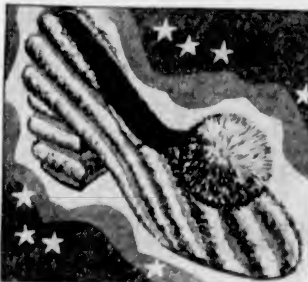
3 Pairs
\$3.75

Hosiery, Street Floor at THE BAY



Three-Day Sale of 300 Pairs of Chenille Boudoir Slippers

Special 1⁴⁹ Pair



For mother, daughter, sweetheart on Christmas morning ... there's a rich luxuriousness to these deep chenille slippers, and the fluffy pom-poms or fur trim adds to the smart appearance! Good quality chenille in colors of dark blue, light blue, turquoise, wine or white. Three patterns ... low, covered Cuban or wedge heels. Buy now for giving, at far below their usual price!

Women's Shoes, Fashion Floor at THE BAY

Dial E 7111—Phone Orders
Taken

3-Day Sale of Men's Two-Trousers SUITS

Sale
Price ... 29⁵⁰

As Low as \$8.50 Cash—Balance in 30 and
60 Days. Without Interest

Late arrivals ... just in time to help you dress up for the Festive Season! Blue serge and worsteds in styles for men and young men ... single and double-breasted models, featuring the 3-button type. Try them on for fit, styling and fine tailoring. You'll appreciate the fine English materials. Sizes 35 to 46, and short and stout models, too. Remember ... extra trousers with each suit.

Men's Clothing, Street Floor at THE BAY



Wrap and Mail Your Gifts
From "The Bay"

For your convenience, with gifts to be mailed, a wrapping desk is maintained. Here paper, string, pens and ink are supplied, and the postoffice is only a few steps away.

Mezzanine Floor at THE BAY

OUTLETS ARE CONVENIENCE

Wall Plugs Properly Placed Allow New Appliances to Be Used With Ease

Luckiest families this Christmas will be those whose homes are adequately wired for the convenient use and perfect performance of the electric lamps and household appliances that make holiday home-making a joy.

When special appliance circuits are run to a plentiful number of conveniently-placed duplex outlets in dining-room, breakfast nook and kitchen, the new electric waffle iron, automatic toaster, capacious coffee maker, egg cooker, or chafing dish can demonstrate fast, correctly-timed table cookery with an ease and precision that delights the whole family.

Plenty of duplex convenience outlets on the lighting circuits throughout the house will make it possible to set cheery lamps wherever comfort and good taste may indicate.

FIT INTO HOME

Then father's new reading lamp, brother's proudly-exhibited study lamp and mother's new pair of decorative lamps will fit smoothly into the home scheme.

On the contrary, makeshift attachments will prove a great nuisance and a threat to safety. And usually they overload the circuits so that lamps are unsatisfactorily dimmed and heating and motor appliances can not operate efficiently.

The families to whom Christmas brings an electric range, refrigerator, water heater or washer can plan a double advantage when the electric contractor is adding circuits or outlets for these important additions to the home's equipment.

CHECK CIRCUITS

They can ask him to check circuits and outlets for possible inadequacy throughout the home, according to the number of lamps and appliances the family uses. They will learn that one or two more circuits and added duplex outlets, correctly placed, will not only double the convenience and quality of their electrical service but will actually give them more electricity for their money than they can get from inadequate wiring.

This can be done without much fuss or bother.

At the same time, weatherproof outlets can readily be installed on porches or terraces, and near the front entrance so that outdoor Christmas lighting will not interfere with attachments within the house, or necessitate unsafe makeshift devices.

When such simple changes have been made, Christmas cheer will be assured for many years to come.

CHILDREN'S GIFT SERVICE PLANNED

Contributions for Needy Families To Be Collected at Christ Church on Sunday

A children's gift service will be held in Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday next at 3 p.m., to which boys and girls are invited to bring toys, books and other presents suitable for distribution to the children of needy families. They will be taken up at the appointed time during the service for presentation before the Christmas tree.

The tree, which is a large one, will be specially illuminated and, during the offering of the gifts, all other lights will be extinguished. It is asked that all presents be in as good order as possible and tastefully wrapped, since they will be placed in hampers that are being prepared for distribution under the direction of the Council of Social Agencies.

Parents and other relatives and friends and playmates of the children are cordially invited to attend the service, which itself suggests a splendid method of teaching the true joy of Christmas, namely, to give to others, and especially those in your circle.

Adults who desire to contribute at this service their offerings of food and comforts to help fill the Christmas hampers may present them at the same time.

The service will be conducted by the cathedral clergy and is expected to take not more than forty minutes. All those desirous of being present are asked to be in their places by 2:55 p.m.

Killed Repairing Freight Elevator

REGINA, Dec. 18 (CP)—Alan D. Norman, forty-five, an employee of the Otis-Fensom Elevator Company, was killed today while repairing a freight elevator at the Dominion Rubber Company Building.

Norman was found in the basement with his head caught between the floor and the steel door of the elevator.

BACKACHE OFTEN WARNING

Backache may be the first sign of kidney trouble. When your back aches, look to your kidneys. Don't fail to heed this warning—it is too important. Take prompt action to correct backache, or its cause. At the first sign of backache turn confidently to Dodd's Kidney Pills—for ever-lasting relief. The favorite remedy for kidney ailments.

Dodd's Kidney Pills

Attempt to Blow Safe at Laundry Is Unsuccessful

Careless work on the part of safe-crackers saved the contents of a strong box in the New Method Laundries, Ltd., at 947 North Park Street, early yesterday morning. Entry was gained to the plant through the women's cloakroom and exit made by a front door.

Detective Inspector J. H. Rogers stated that two charges of nitroglycerine had been placed between the door and frame of the safe, but the crackers failed to explode air by placing sufficient soft soap in the crack. The resulting explosion blew off the top and bottom corners of the door, but did not force out the combination. Apparently the robbers hurriedly left the premises rather than risk a second blast.

MODERN IRON STREAMLINED

Electric Iron Follows Trend To Beauty and Added Efficiency

It has been said that the smartest woman are those who are the most careful of their personal possessions, and it is these very women who will most appreciate the gift of a new automatic iron this Christmas.

Ranging in size from the tiny traveler to the largest for bed and table linens, the new electric irons feature almost all taken to streamlined design.

They are faster, because they are so shaped that they can get into corners, around embroidery and fragile laces, without slower ironing speed; they are lighter to handle; they are cooler to operate and make the task less wearisome; they have temperature controls to adapt them to the finest sheer silks or the richest texture woolsens, and they provide the safety way to iron rayon and other fabrics.

Offering the advantages of better results and simpler operation, every woman can use an electric iron; even the girl at college, or the career girl sharing a none-too-large room, because the electric iron is so convenient to handle.

One of the most exciting includes a water-containing unit, which steams clothes while they are being ironed, doing away with the need for time-consuming sprinkling.

MIXER VALUABLE AID IN KITCHEN

Modern Housewife Learns to Rely Upon the Turn of a Switch to Mix Batters and Other Tasks

Your electric mixer is a most necessary addition to your kitchen equipment, no one gives it a most prominent position. It could well be called a life-saver, all you do to turn the switch, it makes your cake, lettings, sauces, pie fillings, whips the cream, etc., as well as turn out those lovely light fluffy potatoes and mashed vegetables. All this done with your electric mixer produces results much superior to those made by hand and does it in half the time, leaving no trace of tired, aching arms. Only when you have used an electric mixer can you appreciate its value.

From time to time you may add to your electric mixer such valuable attachments as a can opener, food chopper, vegetable shredder and many others all available from your nearest electrical dealer.

WOULD DECREASE APPLE SURPLUS

Army and Navy Veterans Here Attempt to Start Drive to Solve Problem

Members of the Victoria branch of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association decided at an executive meeting held Tuesday night that they would act on a suggestion made recently by the Dominion Minister of Agriculture that every pen in Canada eat a certain number of apples each year as a solution to the apple crop surplus problem. Accordingly, the secretary was instructed to purchase a large supply of the fruit and each member has pledged himself to eat forty apples during the next year.

The meeting also decided to grant free use of the club auditorium to the Victoria Boys' Band for practice purposes for an indefinite period. Donations were made to the T.B. fund and Esplanade Mental Home and apparel supplies sent to the bombed areas of Great Britain.

The children's Christmas party will be held on Monday, December 23, at 3 p.m., in the Chamber of Commerce Auditorium. It was announced. Members are requested to register their children as soon as possible.

A special meeting for the purpose of nominating officers and executive council for the coming year will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

SARAKATON, Dec. 18 (CP)—Approximately 10 per cent of the students at University of Saskatchewan are suffering from influenza and are unable to write the mid-term examinations. It was estimated today by Registrar A. R. Weir. Arrangements will be made for these students to write tests in the new year.

You Can't Go Wrong With these

THESE ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES WILL BE WELCOME GIFTS

Every Member of the Family May Be Suited With a Gift of Electrical Appliances—Everything Offered, From High-Priced Equipment to Novel Gadgets and Items of Utility

If you could give Mother a vacation from ironing or washing drudgery for the year round, or if you could fix it so that Dad would never over-sleep and be late to work . . . if you could work things out for Sis so that the gang would always want to stop in at your house after the show . . . you'd really be doing something, wouldn't you? It's not impossible, if you give the right electrical appliance Christmas presents.

Take mother, for instance. She'd have an ironing-day vacation every Tuesday of the year if you gave her an electric ironer for Christmas. If her iron is worn out and working on a "shoe-string" investigate the new type irons. Some work on the steam theory and require no dampening of clothes. Others have "no-lift" features and many have automatic heat control so there's never any danger of scorching even the most delicate silks.

She'd also appreciate a new washing machine that will take all the back-bending hard work out of laundry.

Dad will appreciate a new electric alarm clock . . . one he doesn't

have to wind and one that's sure to get him out of bed each morning.

He also would like a desk radio for his office, or a new radio for his car.

And don't forget to add to his morning shaving comfort with an electric razor.

SANDWICH TOASTER

For sister and her gang investigate such after-party fun features as electric sandwich toasters and electric corn poppers, that will start the party ball rolling. If she goes away to school, sister also will enjoy a desk radio, student study lamp or mirror-faced clock.

There's an electrical appliance gift to please every member of the family. A gift the whole household can enjoy, and a boon to mother in particular, is a new electric stove.

DISHWASHERS, TOO

If your household can't afford a servant, you can still give mother an efficient household cleaning and culinary staff through the use of work-saving electrical equipment such as automatic dishwashers and garbage disposal combinations; new streamlined vacuum cleaners with their dirt-chasing attachments for furniture, draperies and walls; automatic coffee makers; waffle makers that prepare four waffles at a time; mixers to make cookies (tasks easy); refrigerators to keep foods fresh longer and save market time worry; and electric floor polishers to keep floors shiny and clean with a minimum of work.

Other home gifts seen at electrical shops around town include electric door chimes . . . from simple dollar ones that sound a single door note, to more expensive models that have chimes for back and front door; lamps to brighten up the living-room; streamlined radios; radio and record player combinations; electrical fruit squeezers; decorative electric fountains for "oomph" table centrepieces; electric ovens for quick easy cooking; electric toasters, and even "live steam" egg cookers.

Popularly Has Brought Down Cost Of Electrical Items for the Home

This year's Christmas dollar is going to go a great deal further than any previous year's if present indications as to the popularity of electrical gifts are accurate. And every fact at the disposal of shopping authorities supports the belief that such gifts will rank number one on every intelligently prepared gift list.

Coupled with the fact that their attractiveness and usability have placed them first among "wanted" gifts is the news that many of the more popular items cost from 60 to 80 per cent less than they did a decade ago, while others range from 25 to 35 per cent less.

But still more important—because it gives a really direct comparison with former values—is the fact that standard features of today's electrical appliances, including automatic controls, rapid heating, lighter weight, matched design, economical operation, easy cleaning and longer life, were not available even on the highest priced items of a few years ago.

Thus—the Christmas shopper can now purchase at prices that are a comfort even to the most modest of budgets, modern electrical gifts that will make life easier for all the lucky people on the gift list—and regardless of age or taste.

For there are now electrical appliances to serve the health and comfort of baby, entertain the toddler, aid the education of the student, beautify the young "miss," make untold contributions to the social, business and domestic life of every adult, and provide recreation and solace for the lonesome and aged.

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DEALERS HAVE BIG SELECTION

Appliances of All Kinds, Just Right for Christmas Gifts in Local Stores

In tune with the modern 1940 trend toward giving useful as well as beautiful gifts as Christmas presents, local electrical dealers will place special emphasis on appliances of all kinds.

Displays will feature the full range of handsome electrical appliances from the smallest to the largest, and it will encompass special displays of radio receiving sets and Christmas illumination kits as well.

Major electrical appliances are being included because, though at first blush they may seem to necessitate the immediate expenditure of more money than the Christmas budget has allowed, terms can be arranged, thus making it possible for husbands of families to bring mother a Christmas gift that will last her for a glorious lifetime.

Stocks are fresh and new at present and the greatest possible selection is now available.

Furthermore, plans may be made quickly and efficiently for delivery and installation before Christmas for those who might want to give mother an electric range or a new refrigerator, and for those who are planning that most glorious of all gifts for the lady of the house, a modern kitchen.

The amazing thing about the elec-

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Electrical GIFTS

Electrical Christmas gift displays in the variety of appliances they will include. These appliances range from useful and beautiful gifts that can be purchased for a few dollars, on up, and they include something for every member of the family.

lowest point in seven days in Edmonton.

WARFARE CONTINUING

HANOI, French Indo-China, Dec. 18 (AP)—Warfare along the Indo-Chinese and Thai (Siamese) border, which resumed Monday, is continuing spasmodically with artillery fire making the latest battles. colonial authorities announced tonight.



ABC WASHER

THE GIFT OF LEISURE

There is no gift that will give more lasting happiness than this great washer value. Beauty, efficiency and real quality is built into a modern washer that has every new feature, the latest conveniences and a guarantee of years of service.

See Our Complete Display of Electrical Gifts

C. J. McDOWELL

1000 DOUGLAS STREET

Also at Craig Street, Duncan, B.C.

Are You Buying Anything Electrical?

If So, This Coupon Is Worth Up to \$20 in Premiums on Purchases Made at

KENDALL RADIO LABORATORIES

843 YATES, Opposite Atlas Theatre

Over 45 Handsome Premiums to Choose From—One Premium Per Family

Valid to February 1, 1941



They will like those ELECTRICAL Gifts

They're Smart . . . They're Practical . . . They're Sure of a Welcome

Look Over the Selection at Mc & Mc's—You'll Find the Ideal Answer to Your Gift Problem

CORY COFFEEMAKERS

Delicious coffee, easy making, easy cleaning, 7-cup capacity. \$7.95

SHAVEMASTERS

The electric razor that shaves close as a straight edge in less time with out irritation. \$8.95

WESTINGHOUSE VACUUM CLEANERS

Popular tank type. Complete with all attachments for general house hold cleaning. \$64.50

WESTINGHOUSE DE LUXE ADJUSTO-MATIC ROASTER

Complete with three glassbake dishes. An efficient, compact, portable electric oven for \$39.00

SANDWICH TOASTERS

In streamlining chrome finish. \$7.95

MASTERMATIC IRON

A stream-lined model that cuts time and effort in ironing. \$9.95

McLENNAN, McFEELY & PRIOR, LTD.

1400 GOVERNMENT STREET

PHONE G 1111



ROYAL CITY APRICOTS

One of the most distinctive flavors among desert fruits. Use Apricots as they come from the can—or for pies and other cooked dishes.



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JAILED FOR LISTENING TO THE REAL NEWS

ROME, Dec. 18 (AP).—First punishment of Italians for listening to British news broadcasts was re-

ported today from Padua, where the proprietor of a bar was sentenced to a month in jail and fined 500 lire (about \$25).

"I had an awful headache last night," "Yes, I saw you with her."



Enjoy the rich, full bodied flavour of these fine Ports. You serve the Empire, too, when you specify . . .

EMU
AUSTRALIAN PORT
444 \$1.05 999
(RICH WHITE) (RICH TAWNY)

The Emu Wine Co. Ltd., Adelaide & London (England) Established 1860

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CHRISTMAS



BUS SCHEDULES

VICTORIA-DUNCAN-NANAIMO

CHRISTMAS EVE SPECIALS—Tuesday, December 24
Lv. Victoria 9:45 p.m. Lv. Duncan 11:35 p.m. Ar. Nanaimo 12:55 a.m.
Lv. Duncan 6:00 p.m. Ar. Nanaimo 7:15 p.m.
Lv. Nanaimo 11:50 p.m. Ar. Duncan 1:15 a.m.

4 ROUND TRIPS DAILY From December 20 Through January 5
Lv. Victoria 9:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m.
Lv. Nanaimo 8:00 a.m., 1:40 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 8:45 p.m.

VICTORIA-SIDNEY

CHRISTMAS DAY—Wednesday, December 25—Wednesday Service, with 11:15 p.m. replacing 9:15 p.m. from Victoria.
BOXING DAY—Thursday, December 26—Thursday service.
SALT SPRING ISLAND—Regular scheduled service throughout Christmas holiday period.
DEEP COVE—Regular scheduled service throughout Christmas holiday period.

VICTORIA-WEST SAANICH

CHRISTMAS DAY—Wednesday, December 25—Sunday service, with 11:15 p.m. replacing 10:15 p.m. from Victoria.
BOXING DAY—Thursday, December 26—Sunday service with 11:15 p.m. replacing 10:15 p.m. from Victoria.
KEATING-OLD WEST ROAD—No service December 25 or 26

VICTORIA-SOOKE-JORDAN RIVER

CHRISTMAS EVE—Tuesday, December 24—Regular service, plus 6:30 p.m. from Jordan River.
CHRISTMAS DAY—Wednesday, December 25—No service.
BOXING DAY—Thursday, December 26—Lv. Victoria 9:30 p.m. only.

SAANICH URBAN LINES

GORGE LAKE HILL; BURNSIDE; Christmas Day, Dec. 25—Holiday service.
DOUGLAS-AGNES-RALPH Boxing Day, Dec. 26—Thursday service.
GORDON HEAD; CABBORO BAY—Regular week day service on Dec. 25 and 26.
CORDOVA BAY—Wednesday service on Dec. 23, 24 and 25. Thursday service on Dec. 26.

Vancouver Island Coach Lines, Ltd.

DEPOT: 629 BROUGHTON STREET

PHONES: E 1177 - E 1178

COMING HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Member of St. Malo's Crew
Will Spend Christmas
With Parents Here

MONTREAL, Dec. 18.—The youthful-looking Canadian seafaring officer, Douglas Lane, who on his rescue from the Ss. St. Malo last October reported from "somewhere in Scotland" he was "sunk, saved and smiling," reached Montreal yesterday. When interviewed in the afternoon here, he showed no indication of the hardships he had suffered when picked up along with sixteen other seamen from the same ship, after spending ten days in an open lifeboat at sea and four more days aboard a rescue tug before landing in Scotland.

"We were very lucky to be picked up," said Mr. Lane, "as the rescue tug was operating in our vicinity and happened to come upon us after we had been ten days in the lifeboat. When we got aboard we found more than seventy other rescued seamen aboard from five different ships."

The rescued crew from the St. Malo lost all their personal belongings and were supplied with makeshift clothing until they arrived at a Scottish port.

"I sure will be glad to be with my parents in Victoria for Christmas, this being the first one at home in seven years," he said.

He left the city last night on the Continental Limited train of the Canadian National Railways for the Pacific Coast. Mr. Lane was for some years a resident of Montreal when ashore and has served on several vessels of the Canadian National Steamships, who were

operating the St. Malo as agents for the Canadian Government when the ship was attacked.

Pilot Discovers No Emergency on Wilderness Trip

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Dec. 18 (AP).—With the cryptic words "no emergency," Pilot Roy Dickson radioed at 1:25 p.m. (PST) today he was taking off from a wilderness lake, to which he and a doctor flew in answer to a message written in the snow.

His message said he and Dr. A. S. Walkowski were returning to Anchorage, but gave no other details. Earlier, the pilot messaged he was circling over the lake to find a landing near a cabin where a trapper or prospector had sought aid by writing "HELP" with tree barks on the wilderness snow. The man had, also set fire to a spruce tree to attract the attention Monday of a plane flying overhead.

WOULD LIKE IT MORE VIGOROUS

United States Aid to Britain
Too Slow for Author
H. G. Wells

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP).—Carrying ten passengers, including a British author-historian who listed himself as "Herbert G. Wells—Man of Letters" and a record mail load of 13,462 pounds, the Yankee Clipper left today for Bermuda, Horta, The Azores and Lisbon.

Wells, best known as "H. G.," said he was returning to his London home to spend the holidays with his family. He may return to the United States early next year.

Commenting on United States aid to Britain, Wells said that "everybody would like it to be a little more vigorous."

"Jerry is nearly beaten," he added. "I think he has played his hand. I am afraid of a soft peace that will give the aggressor a chance to start over again in five or six years. If, however, they (the British) don't hold up now, the world is lost."

As to the plans for the future, Wells said that "when the war is over and we are dead or bleeding victorious, I may return to the United States and go into business selling American wine to Americans. You have the loveliest wines in the world, you know, but you don't realize it. You call them domestic and that's enough to start trouble anywhere."

RULING OF COURT CUTS ASSESSMENT

Mr. Justice Fisher Sets New Taxation Value on Stobart Building, 745 Yates Street

In a Supreme Court Chambers decision handed down yesterday by Mr. Justice Fisher, the improvement assessment on the Stobart Building at 745 Yates Street, owned by Ambrose Dixon, was cut from \$62,500 to \$40,000. The judgment also granted Mr. Dixon costs of \$35 and disbursements. The valuation on land for assessment purposes was left untouched.

Norman W. Whitaker, K.C., appeared for Mr. Dixon in his recent appeal against the city's assessment on the Stobart Building. The city was represented by Forrest L. Shaw.

Mr. Justice Fisher stated in part in his judgment: "I still have to say with all respect for George A. Okell, city assessor, and the expert witnesses called on behalf of the city on the hearing before me, that in estimating the actual value of the whole property for the purpose of assessment and taxation, they, in my view, have given too little weight to the real selling value of the property and too much weight to the replacement cost and to potential or speculative values."

RED CROSS

RED CROSS STOCKTAKING

The Red Cross Distributing Room, Belmont Building, will be closed (except by special appointments) for stocktaking purposes from Friday evening next until January 6. It is requested that units bring in completed work before Friday next. Headquarters office of Red Cross, 605 Courtney Street, will close December 25 and 26 only.

VISIT DOLLS' HOUSE

Since the opening last Thursday, nearly 500 visitors have inspected the "dolls' house," kindly loaned to Red Cross by the design and construction, Col. L. E. Broome. The exhibition will continue for the present in the Union Building, corner of View and Government Streets. The entire admittance proceeds will be given to the Red Cross air-raid sufferers' fund.

GORGE UNIT

The Gorge Unit of the Red Cross will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs. Blyth, 2930 Qu'Appelle Road, instead of in St. Martin's Hall, as is usual on the third Thursday of the month. Members are requested to take in all finished articles.

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CHEMISTS HELPS
The children of Chemists Elementary School have been working 100 per cent for the Red Cross since the beginning of the September term. Their accounts, at the close of the school term, show a total of \$108.01 raised by their own efforts. This sum has been raised by collections, proceeds from little concerts given by the pupils after school hours, by contests and sale of candy to the pupils made by various grades. The sum raised has been distributed as follows: Junior Red Cross registration, \$7; Junior Red Cross ambulance fund, \$52.50 (the teachers helping with this item); the crippled children's fund, \$18.58; Armistice Day (poppies), \$7.35; Mrs. Hamber's fund for the children of bombed areas of London, \$7.57; soldiers' fund, Junior Red Cross, \$4; Queen Alexandra Bazaar at Mill Bay, \$4; war savings stamps, \$7. All grades, one to eight, covering some 250 pupils, assisted in raising this sum, which, with the new term, will be constantly added to.

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Anglican Young People
 ST. MARY'S
 St. Mary's A.Y.P.A. held its
 Christmas social and concert on
 Tuesday evening, to which the
 parents of the members were
 invited. The programme commenced
 with community singing, when
 several well-known carols were sung.
 Recitations were given by Elsie
 Houlding and Norman Williams,
 and a monologue was presented by
 Dick Davenport. Vocal solos were
 rendered by Phyllis Corbett, accom-
 panied by Esther Decker, and Ken-
 neth Robinson, who accompanied
 himself on the guitar. Francis and
 Kenneth Robinson sang a duet.
 Jim Robinson played a harmonica
 solo, and selections were played by
 Francis Robinson on his accordion.
 A quartette composed of four of

RESPONSE GOOD TO S.A. APPEAL

Officials Hopeful Christmas
 Kettles Will Realize
 Sufficient Funds

The annual Salvation Army Christmas kettle appeal is meeting with a good response from the public, officials said yesterday. "We are hopeful that if this good weather keeps up we shall collect at least as much as last year," Adjutant C. J. Milley said.

Some \$1,900 was realized in the Christmas appeal last year, which enabled 350 hampers to be distributed among needy families in Victoria and district, and also provided funds for winter relief among distressed families.

"You hear people saying there is not as much need for relief this year, but judging from the applications we have already received, the need is as great as ever," Adjutant Milley stated.

Officials are hopeful that as a result of public's response to the kettle appeal, the Salvation Army will be able to continue providing assistance throughout the winter to needy family groups, as well as seeing that nobody goes without Christmas provisions, if at all possible.

The Christmas kettles, familiar at every busy corner on city streets, will be out every day until December 24 inclusive, but the names of people in need of hampers must be in the hands of Adjutant Milley at 525 Johnson Street by tomorrow night, otherwise distribution cannot be guaranteed.

Each case is carefully investigated by local Salvation Army officials before a hamper is definitely assigned to any individual family.

Discuss Plan For Exhibition Of Royal Dolls

Details in connection with the showing of the Royal Dolls, which are to be of exhibition at the Hudson's Bay Company's store from Wednesday, January 8, to Wednesday, January 22, inclusive, were discussed at a meeting of the women's committee held yesterday afternoon at the Y.W.C.A.

Held under the chairmanship of Mrs. A. E. Hopkins, president of the Local Council of Women, which is providing the help for the entire period of the exhibition, the meeting was taken up chiefly with discussion of ways and means of contacting the various women's organizations to secure the required help. It was estimated that something in the neighborhood of 120 or more would be needed and members of the committee were detailed to telephone or otherwise get in touch with about forty societies affiliated with the local council.

Mrs. L. Mess undertook to have mimeograph copies of the description of the dolls and their wardrobes made for the use of the volunteer helpers while they are on duty.

The committee was instructed to meet again on Friday, December 27, at 2:30 p.m., at the Y.W.C.A., when it was hoped, members would be able to give an approximate idea of the response made by the various organizations which are being contacted. It was stated that volunteer helpers would be definitely asked to serve in the enclosure for not less than three hours. Mrs. Alfred Carmichael, O 2546, is acting as secretary, and will be glad to take names of volunteers.

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES IN LIBYA, Dec. 18 (AP)—Gas has not been used in the current desert warfare between British and Italian, but gas masks are proving their worth. When the frequent and severe sandstorms come, British soldiers don their masks and go right ahead.

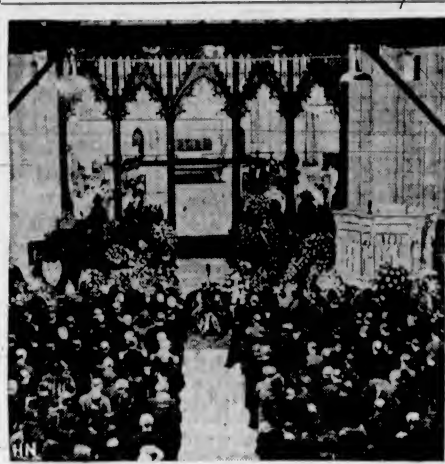
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Last Rites for Ambassador



This picture was taken in the Episcopal Cathedral in Washington as funeral services were held for the late Lord Lothian, British ambassador, who died suddenly. In the photo the bier of the late envoy is shown in centre aisle, banked with flowers, as funeral services were read. Later, private cremation services were held.

At the Theatres

**GREAT MEDICAL
 TALE AT CADET**
 "Disputed Passage" Stars Akim Tamiroff, Dorothy Lamour and John Howard

Deserving rank alongside the greatest of all medical stories, the Paramount picture, "Disputed Passage," brings to the screen of the Cadet Theatre tonight, an exciting tale of the world of science. Based on the best-selling novel by Lloyd C. Douglas, author of such novel hits as "The Magnificent Obsession" and "The Green Light," the picture deals more with a doctor's attitude towards his practice than the practice itself.

Akim Tamiroff has the role of a world-famous neurologist, surgeon and a hero, "Florian," a spectacular film of pure science. This trenchant viewpoint reacts strongly upon the lives of John Howard, brilliant student at the medical college headed by Tamiroff, and on Dorothy Lamour, an American girl brought up in China.

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Robert Young and Helen Gilbert in Spectacular Film of Austrian Life

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Robert Young, who triumphed in "Northwest Passage," adds another notable role to his list, and Helen Gilbert is persuasively dramatic as the Duchess, Irina Baronova, child dancer of the Ballet Russe, is exotic and compelling as the fiery sweetheart of an archduke, enacted by dashing Lee Bowman. Charles Coburn, Reginald Owen and Lucile Watson skillfully handle important roles.

DOMINION "Hullabaloo," which THEATRE ends today at the Dominion Theatre, is a behind-the-scenes story of radio and broadcasting, replete with music, dancing and laughs. The cast includes Frank Morgan, Virginia Grey, Dan Dailey, Jr., Billie Burke, Nydia Westman, Ann Mor-

row, Donald Meek, Reginald Owen, Leif Lynn and a host of popular screen and radio favorites.

**GENE AUTRY WILL
 BE AT THE RIO**
 "Rovin' Tumbleweeds" Is First Film Since Actor's Sensational European Tour

"Rovin' Tumbleweeds," Cowboy King Gene Autry's first picture for Republic since his sensational European tour, will add countless fans to his already enormous following here and abroad. The picture opens today at the Rio Theatre.

Smiley Burnette, Autry's ludicrously-ridiculous sidekick, also scores heavily in a rib-tickling role. Screen writers Betty Burbridge, Dorrell and Stuart McGowan have used sure-fire ingredients in an air-tight screen play that lifts Gene from an obscure rancher with the gift of song to nation-wide popularity. All this happens because a pretty new commentator (Mary Carlisle) carries a portable microphone into the Red Cross tent, where Gene is singing, to cheer up fellow ranchers injured in a disastrous flood.

**Metropolitan
 Women Elect
 New Officers**
 The Christmas meeting of Metropolitan United W.M.S. was held on Monday afternoon, with Mrs. W. H. Muncy presiding. The senior girls' choir of the North Ward School, directed and accompanied by W. H. Muncy, sang "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" and "How Far Is It to Bethlehem?" The monthly reports were read and passed, after which the devotional service was given by Mrs. A. Sullivan and Miss Grace Baker, the responses being sung by the choir. Mrs. Muncy asked Dr. Whitehouse to take the chair and receive the report of the chairman of the nominating committee, Mrs. W. E. Harper, and conduct the election of officers for the coming year. The following were elected:
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After a few words of encouragement and appreciation of the work carried on by the W.M.S., Dr. Whitehouse retired, and the president called for the annual reports, which were read and accepted. A vote of thanks was voted to the editorial department of The Times and The Colonist for their courtesy and attention to the reports sent in throughout the year.

WELL-KNOWN ISLAND LUMBERMAN PASSES IN NANAIMO HOSPITAL
 NANAIMO, Dec. 18.—A well-known lumberman of Nanaimo and district for the past fifty-one years, Irving Pringle Smith, familiarly known as "I.P.," passed away today at the Nanaimo General Hospital following a short illness. Born in Saint John, N.B., he was sixty-four years of age, and came to British Columbia in 1889. For seventeen years he was superintendent of the Victoria Lumber Company at Chemainus.

Mr. Smith retired twelve years ago and took up residence at Quarry, near Nanaimo. Besides his wife, he is survived by one son, Lieut. Gordon Smith, of the 1st Battalion, The Canadian Scottish Regiment; six brothers, Edward, William, Fred, Port Alice, Roy, Woodfin, Harry, Port Renfrew, John, Tacoma, and Robert, Nanaimo; and three sisters, Mrs. Agnes

Smith, Hazelton; Mrs. George Blunt, Auburn, Wash.; and Mrs. S. M. Cary, Nanaimo.

The remains are in the charge of D. J. Jenkins, Ltd., pending funeral arrangements.

LONDON, Dec. 18 (AP)—Highway accidents are killing one-fourth as many persons as air raids, it was officially disclosed today.

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Troops Will Have Ski Instruction

EDMONTON, Dec. 18 (CP).—All members of the Active Service Force Edmonton Fusiliers quartered here will receive some ski instruction early in the New Year from skilled ski instructors. Selected members

of the battalion will receive special instruction on skis prior to general instruction.

FIX PRICE OF TURKEYS

LONDON, Dec. 18 (CP).—The Food Ministry has fixed the price of undressed Christmas turkeys at two shillings ten pence a pound (sixty-three cents) because butchers were raising their prices.

DUTCH CITIZEN HANGED AS SPY

Man Had Portable Radio Transmitter and Acted As German Agent

LONDON, Dec. 18 (CP).—A citizen of The Netherlands was executed at Pentonville Prison as a spy for Germany, the Home Office announced yesterday.

His name was Charles Albert Van den Kieboom, said to have been born at Takarumuka, Japan, September 6, 1914.

The announcement said he was tried at the same time as two others executed as German agents, December 10, and had been associated with them.

Those executed December 10 were identified at that time as Jose Waldberg, twenty-five, German citizen, and Karl Meier, twenty-four, a Netherlands subject.

Their execution was the first for espionage to be announced in England since the start of the war.

POSED AS REFUGEES
British authorities said Waldberg and Meier apparently entered Britain under German instructions to pose as refugees.

They were said to have erected a special German-assembled radio transmitter in the secluded countryside to send messages to Germany. The whole apparatus was described as so light it could be dismantled and carried in two black bags similar to camera cases.

The announcement of the execution of Van Den Kieboom said he, too, had a portable radio transmitting set.

VETERANS STAGE BENEFIT CONCERT

British Imperial Comrades' Association Produces Entertainment In Aid of Fund

A large crowd witnessed the Christmas concert at the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night, sponsored by the British Imperial Comrades' Association (Dominion Branch No. 14, Victoria), when a full programme of events delighted the many youngsters attending.

The programme, which was under the direction of P.O. Sidney G. Norman, R.N., who acted as master of ceremonies, was produced by B. F. Seed, Joseph E. Brooks, Mr. Hunter and T. Miller. The proceeds from the concert will be donated to the Lord Mayor's Fund.

Dances by pupils of Betty Claire were featured during the evening, when they offered a sailor number and a military review. Joan Buckingham and Hilda Lamb also appeared in a dance number.

Combination songs and dances were rendered by Enid Middleton, Audrey Brown and Iris Brooks. A piano accordion solo was given by Ernest Fullerton.

Ventriloquist Joy Merriman was enthusiastically received by the large audience, as was a skit given by Hilda Johnson.

The Naval Amateurs, under the direction of P.O. Sidney G. Norman, R.N., starred during the show. Highlight of the evening's performance was the roller-skating act performed by June Brown and Arnold and Harry Hornby. Intricate manoeuvres and dangerous spins featured their whirling evolutions on a small area of the roller mat.

More Telephones Used in Victoria

Indicative of the increased prosperity in Victoria since January 1 last, 874 new telephones have been installed in the city since the beginning of the year. In January, 1939, there were but 17,945 telephones in use in Victoria as compared to the 18,768 for January of 1940, and the 19,642 in use here at the close of November of this year.

According to the statement of development, the total for the province at the beginning of November was 136,123, as compared with 131,984 in January. This is an increase of 4,139 telephones or 3.1 per cent. These figures represent the number of telephones in use by the British Columbia Telephone Co., Chilliwack Telephone Ltd., Kootenay Telephone Co. Ltd., Northwest Telephone Co. and the Mission Telephone Co. Ltd. If the connecting companies in the province were included, figures would read 143,722 in November and 140,515 in January.

Up-Island points, with the exception of Chemainus and Cumberland, also show increases on January figures. Chemainus had 219 in November, 14 less than in January. Cumberland had 314 down 10. Other figures for November were: Cobble Hill, 228; Courtenay, 802; Duncan, 1,317; Ladysmith, 348; Nanaimo, 2,399; Parksville, 248; and Port Alberni, 1,604.

INSURANCE PROPOSAL SHOWS CONFIDENCE

LONDON, Dec. 18 (CP).—Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer, moving second reading of a bill to insure British property worth between \$5,000,000 and \$8,000,000,000 against air raid damage, told the House of Commons yesterday.

"No country, unless it were confident of victory and particularly of defeat of the enemy in the air, would proceed with these proposals."

Engineers Meet Eastern Officials



Visiting Victoria following the signing of an amalgamation agreement between Provincial and National Engineering Institutes in Calgary, Alberta, officials of the Engineering Institute of Canada met local members at a dinner meeting at the Pacific Club Tuesday night. Shown seated at the head table are, from left to right: K. Reid, local secretary; J. A. Vance, Woodstock, Ont.; Dr. W. A. Carrothers, E. W. Izard, local chairman; Dr. O. O. Lefebvre, and L. Austin Wright, general secretary.

LONDON, Dec. 18 (CP).—Prime Minister Churchill enlivened a session of the House of Commons yesterday with a laughter-provoking answer to a question as to whether he would order flags flown after any signal victory.

"I do not recollect that we had any important occasion for rejoicing in the last war," Mr. Churchill replied, "but the people seemed quite pleased at the way it ended."

"I think we had better see how we get on. The battle of Libya is still in progress."

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CORK TIP OR PLAIN

Mystery Shrouds Tanker's Sailing From U.S. Seaport

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18 (AP).—Destination and mission shrouded in mystery, the 7,000-ton French oil tanker Meropie sailed without cargo today after being laid up for repairs here since November 19.

The United States Coast Guard here said the ship's captain, Jules

Flouri, had obtained Government permission for the trip, but declined to disclose her next port of call except that it is "somewhere in the Americas."

Shippers circles here said the ship faced the risk of seizure at sea. These sources speculated that the vessel might be turned over to Britain at sea or might be attempting a dash across the Atlantic to join the Free French forces of General Charles De Gaulle in Africa.

The Meropie's home port is Le Havre in occupied France.

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Chinese Students Defeat Eagles in League Cage Tilt

Last-Quarter Rally Causes Downfall of Birdmen—Score Is 27-24—Victors Nose Out Gunners, 22-20, in Last Three Seconds of Play—“Y” Triumphs—Three Games Tonight

Pace-writers in the senior “B” men’s section of the city cage league since the start of the season, Eagles had their wings clipped last night by the Chinese Students in one of three interesting basketball games presented at the Victoria Sports Centre.

Trailing at the end of the first three-quarters, Students pulled victory out of the fire in the dying stages of a great battle, the final score being 27-24. Birdmen led 21-19 at the end of the third quarter.

Victors and 5th (B.C.) Coast Brigade, N.P.A.M., staging a private feud for second and third berths in the senior “C” men’s division of the city loop, far behind the unbeaten Hornby Hornets, had a lot of fun before the former quintette managed to eke out a 22-20 triumph. A basket by Pearce in the last three seconds of the entertaining struggle brought the victors through to their narrow decision.

Coch Harry Zaruk’s Y.M.C.A. finally left their stride in the two final sessions, and managed to come from behind and defeat Fairfield, 31-26, in the curtain-raiser. The intermediate “B” boys’ hoopers eventual winners on the short end of a 15-10 score at the half-time interval.

STUDENTS TRIUMPH

Pushing up some nice baskets in the final stanza, Chinese Students upset the Eagles, 27-24, in the feature attraction. The victory left the Students and birdmen deadlocked at the top of the senior “B” men’s standings with eight points each, but the Chinese hoopers have one game in hand.

Eagles, with the help of some nice long shots, were able to reach the end of the first period with the score 10-4 in their favor. In the second stanza, the Chinese cagers outscored the birdmen, 9-6, and the quietest, firing slightly under the terrific pace, reached the long half-time interval with the birdmen leading, 16-13.

There was little scoring in the third stanza, ten points in all being pushed up. Students collected six and the Eagles four. In the final period, the lead changed hands three times before the Chinese hoopers finally took the decision. With less than a minute to go, and a slim one point separating the clubs, D. Yuen put the ball game in the proverbial cooler with a smart basket.

George Lowe paced the winners with eight points, while Charlie Strouger, with nine points, was high scorer for the birdmen.

VICTORS BEAT GUNNERS

Uncorking a seven-point scoring spree in the dying minutes of the game, Victors came from behind to defeat the 5th (B.C.) Coast Brigade (N.P.A.M.), 22-20, in the nightcap. Gunners had the game sewn up with less than two minutes to go, but the Victors knotted the score in the dying stages and Pearce dropped home the winning points three seconds before full time.

The eventual winners established an 11-2 lead at the stage of the rugged, exciting contest, but by the time the teams reached the end of the third quarter the score was all tied up at 14-14.

Gunners moved ahead slowly and late in the fixture had a five-point lead. Victors fought back gamely and turned what looked like certain defeat into a smart victory.

Pearce, who rendered the hero role to perfection for the Victors, was also their top scorer with ten points. Charlie Restell, well known in soccer and baseball circles, made his debut for the winners and turned in a valuable performance.

Seed topped the Gunners’ firing brigade with an even half-dozen points.

“Y” CAGERS WIN

Some smart sniping in the two final sessions brought Coach Harry Zaruk’s Y.M.C.A. hoopers through to a 31-26 victory over Fairfield, in the curtain raiser. Trailing by five points going into the third quarter, “Y” uncorked some brilliant marksmanship and reached the end of the session with a two-point advantage. In the final ten minutes of play they continued to hold the upper hand.

Wright, of the “Y,” and Travis, of Fairfield, shared scoring honors, each with seven points.

Macrauchie refereed

Line-ups and scorers:
Chinese Students—G. Lowe 8, W. Lee 1, H. Chan 3, D. Lee 3, B. Mar 7, D. Yuen 3, C. Nip and H. Lin, Total, 27.

F.O.E.—Davies 3, Millburn, Patterson 4, Sparks 5, Wright, Strouger 9 and Robinson 3. Total, 24.

Victors—Martin, Rankin, Carr 1, France 2, Masters 4, Pearce 10 and Restell 5. Total, 22.

5th (B.C.) Coast Brigade, N.P.A.M.—McKim 4, Skelton 4, Huggins, Christian, Barber 2, Murdoch 4. Total, 20.

Y.M.C.A.—Syme, Mitchell 5, Wright 7, Stewart 2, Johnstone 4, Sprinkling 6, Towill 2, Henry, Clarke and Hay 5. Total, 31.

Fairfield—Travis 7, Wood 5, Corbett 5, Rogers 1, McDonald 4, Taylor 2 and McKinnon 2. Total, 26.

TONIGHT’S GAMES

Three Senior League games will be played this evening at the Victoria Sports Centre, with the first contest scheduled for 7 o’clock.

The complete card follows:
7:00—Motorcycles vs. Western Air Command.
8:00—R.C.A.P. Patricia Bay, vs. Medicals.
9:00—Navy vs. Composites.

Moriarty Given

Another Position

DETROIT, Dec. 18 (AP)—Sliced a tear for baseball’s old school of rough and tumble. One of its last survivors has departed from the field of action.

Big, belligerent George Moriarty, veteran umpire and former player, has been placed on the public relations personnel of the American League, and a million fans must be sad.

The American League has assigned Moriarty, who gained fame as the man who “wouldn’t die on third” and who allegedly threatened to clean the entire Chicago Cubs’ benches in the 1935 World Series, to the duty of distributing the league’s annual movie in Michigan and adjoining territory. He succeeds Roger Peckinpah, new Cleveland manager, on this job.

Dangerous Firing Line of the Maple Leafs



On the left is “Gabby” Don Metz, right winger of the Leafs’ “swing” line, with Taylor and Schirmer posed alongside. Leafs were feeling chipper at the workout, and so was the old board of strategy now known as “Happy Hippo.” On the ice young Don, a good workman, is frequently ignored by his mates. As the Englishman said: “They hadn’t met the feller socially.” This omission was repaired during the practice when the line came in and duly formally made the introductions. The new strength through joy movements of the Leafs, the experts pontificate, lie in compact and well-knit front lines. If one threesome doesn’t confound the enemy, another will. And the trio (above) have been grabbing their share with Schirmer laughing his way through defences, and Taylor “deking” them like a pocket edition of Great Gulp.

VICTORIA IN ICE VICTORY AT NANAIMO

Raiders Swamp Port Alberni By 14-1—Regiment Defeats Nanaimo, 2-1

(Special to The Colonist)

NANAIMO, Dec. 18.—Skating through the opposition almost at will, Victoria’s Durand Raiders registered their first victory in the Vancouver Island Intermediate Ice Hockey League here tonight by swamping Port Alberni by a 14-1 score. The Capital City lads lost their first game of the schedule a fortnight ago when they were noed out by Nanaimo, 4-3. In the first of the double-header at the Nanaimo Ice Arena this evening the Southern Alberta Regiment beat out Nanaimo, 2-1, after a heady, fought fixture all the way.

Victoria had matter’ their own way against the Alberni hoqueists, who need brushing up in several departments. The Raiders led at the end of the first by five goals, increased their margin to 7-0 in the second and then rattled the net for seven more in the final session. Port Alberni scored its lone marker just before the gong.

The Regiment and Nanaimo battled through a scoreless first period and then Aldridge gave the latter squad a 1-0 lead. Near the end of the session, Robinson tied it up, and after four minutes of play in the third canto Nicol snaked through for the winning tally. Dyde, Nanaimo goalie, turned in a sparkling game, stopping twenty-five shots during strong at-

tacks, while Daury, opposing net-minder, saved fourteen.

Less than 200 fans watched the two games.

Summary of the Victoria-Port Alberni game follows:

First Period—Scott (Ritchie), Ritchie (Anderson), Anderson, Anderson (Ritchie), Ritchie.

Second Period—Duke, Cranston (Gulfin).

Third Period—Fontana (Duke), McGill (Duke), Anderson (Ritchie), Anderson, Ritchie, Fontana, McGill, Campbell.

their last five starts tonight whipping Buffalo Bulls, 4-1.

Tom Hemmerling shot the Bulls into the lead in the first period after twelve minutes of play, but Joe Fisher tied it up less than five minutes later when he scored unassisted.

Dick Behling did the same thing in the second period and the Caps were out in front to stay. Jud McAre, Cap rookie and Ken Kilrea, sent down from Detroit this week, added the last two Indianapolis goals in the third period.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 18 (AP)—Minnesota Millers trounced Tulsa Oilers, 6-1, tonight in the American Hockey Association. Leo Lepi and Les Whittles each scored twice.

Norm Tustin and Bob Blake getting the other Miller goals. Whitey Farrant counted for Tulsa.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18 (AP)—From a real war to the turf wars of the United States, the story of Hunter’s Moon IV, a four-year-old bay colt newly imported by the movie magnate, Louis B. Mayer.

Four weeks ago Hunter’s Moon IV was bedded down outside London. Now he’s at Santa Anita Park, getting ready to resume racing. Mayer nominated him for the \$100,000 Santa Anita Handicap.

Hunter’s Moon IV boasts a good record in distance races. He won the 101-1 running of the Cesarewitch Stakes and in his latest start, November 2, ran second to Alton Matthe in a Nottingham Club two-and-a-half-mile race. He stonied 122 pounds for the big American race.

FELLER TOPS MOUND AGES IN AMERICAN

Young Cleveland Pitcher Best During the 1940 Ball Season

(CHICAGO, Dec. 18 (AP)—Pitching honors for the American League’s 1940 season belong to young Bob Feller of Cleveland Indians.

Feller was on top from the start. On opening day at Chicago, he blanked Chicago White Sox without a hit, winning that game 1-0, for the first opening day no-hitter in baseball history.

Ernie Bonham of New York Yankees, ranked first technically, on the list in earned runs with only 1.94 a game, but pitched in only twelve contests. Feller had a 2-2 mark for forty-three games, twenty-seven of which he won, and therefore was recognized as the earned-run leader. Feller led eleven contests, 14, as against Feller’s 118.

Closely following Feller in effectiveness was Detroit’s Buck Newson, with a 2.83 earned-run figure. He won twenty-one and lost five.

For the third straight year Feller and Newson were the strike-out leaders. Feller was well in front with 261 “whiffs.” Newson fanned 164.

Feller appeared in more games than any pitcher in the league, forty-three, and he also pitched the most innings, 320.

Feller lost his crown as the league’s top “wild man.” Ken Chase of Washington granted the most passes, 143, as against Feller’s 118.

Cleveland took club pitching honors with an earned-run figure of 3.63 a game.

ICE SQUADS ARE BUNCHED

Close Race for Honors in Cape Breton Amateur Hockey League

HALIFAX, Dec. 18 (AP)—There’s barely the width of a banjo string separating the three teams in Cape Breton’s Colliery Hockey League as they career on through a campaign designed to toughen the ultimate champions for the Pacific Cup since 1935.

Only two points separate the three clubs in the league. Sydney Millionaires, despite a 4-0 setback at the hands of North Sydney Vics last night, are perched on top with Glace Bay Miners. Those teams have eighteen points apiece. North Sydney is riding along just two points back.

On the point-manufacturing front it’s still Johnny McCready and Dick Kowcinak with the world-champion Trail, B.C. Smokestackers of 1938. The boys, sparkplugs of last year’s Kirkland Lake Blue Devils, have acquired twenty-two points apiece, two more than The Williams of North Sydney.

Williams, particularly effective against the Millionaires, a team that cast him adrift this season, has been the chief power behind the surge of the Vics.

Other leaders include Glace Bay’s playing coach, Joe-Joe Grabowski and Sydney’s twenty-two-year-old George Snel, each with seventeen.

FOOTBALL MEETING

A meeting of the Victoria and District Football League will be held in the Colonist board room this evening at 8 o’clock. All clubs are asked to have representatives present.

BIG AMOUNT IS BET ON RACING DURING THE 1940 CAMPAIGN

More Than \$400,000,000 Wagered on Horses in Sixteen States, According to Latest Figures—Vast Increase Over 1939 Season—New System in New York Is Difference

By SID FREDER

Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (AP)—A lot more money went to the horses this year than last in the United States, but the most striking development in racing for 1940 was the discovery of what a “soft touch” the bookmakers had in New York State for years before the mutuels arrived.

The annual Associated Press survey of the financial side of the turf disclosed today that \$408,338,711 was bet in sixteen states with 1,710 racing days this year, compared to \$291,794,943 in sixteen states with 1,790 days for 1939.

New York, now operating under the pari-mutuel system of betting and disclosing its figures for the first time, was out in front in the list, while the most marked increases otherwise showed up in Florida, Illinois and New Hampshire. The only major losses were in California, where nearly \$5,000,000 less was wagered, and Kentucky, where the “Trotting” track did not operate this year.

From their share of these betting totals, together with taxes from licence fees and admission taxes, the states received revenue this year of \$15,962,137.

“FIFTY IS BET

After years of handbook betting at its five tracks, New York State poured \$103,700,000 into its new mutuel machines in 1940. Previously there was no official figure as to the amount of wagering.

Up to 1940, New York’s only financial interest in the turf was in admission taxes and licence fees. This year, cutting in for 5 per cent of the total betting, and 50 per cent of the brokerage, as well as receiving admission taxes and licence fees from the tracks, the state found a major source of revenue—collecting \$5,998,000—and probably abolished the “books” for keeps.

Although California remained second to New York both in total betting and state revenue, the war-

ring there, with plus chess, less operation this year than last, fell off considerably. The daily betting average dropped \$10,000.

Florida, meantime, skyrocketed to a new high, although its 1940 season had four fewer days than in 1939. There, the wagering increased \$6,511,273, and the daily average boomed from \$332,766 to \$435,240.

COWLEY TOPS ICE SCORERS

Boston Forward Extends Margin Over Rivals In Majors

(By The Canadian Press)

Bill Cowley, veteran Boston centre, extended his lead over the Montreal Hockey League’s individual point-getters by scoring two goals and getting an assist as the Bruins beat Toronto, 5-2, Tuesday night. The second-place Bryan Hextall, of New York Rangers, was idle, while Syl Apps, of the Maple Leafs, failed to improve his third position when held pointless.

Roy Conacher, of the Bruins, bagged a goal to move into a tie for the final big seven berth with three other players.

The leaders: G. A. P.
Cowley, Boston 7 13 20
Hextall, Rangers 9 7 16
Apps, Toronto 7 8 15
R. Conacher, Boston 9 5 14
Drillon, Toronto 8 6 14
Howe, Detroit 6 8 14
Watson, Rangers 3 11 14

RUGBY WORKOUT

J.B.A.A. senior rugger, will hold a workout this evening at Macdonald Park at 6:30 o’clock. All players are asked to attend.

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HOCKEY RESULTS

(By The Canadian Press)
Quebec Senior League—Quebec 7, Canadiens 3; Royals 1, Concordia 1.
O.H.A. Senior "A"—Port Colborne 3, London 4.
Alberta Senior—Lethbridge 3, Calgary 2 (overtime); Turner Valley 7, Edmonton 5.
Eastern United States A.H.L.—River Vale 6, Atlantic City 4.

ALL ROADS LEAD TO Red Cross All-Day Turkey Shoot

SUNDAY, DEC. 22, 1940, AT VICTORIA SKEET AND GUN CLUB, ALBERT HEAD GROUNDS

Shooting starts at 9:30 a.m., rain or shine.
All events on the Miss and Out basis, straightaway targets.
Shooters may and are requested to make up their own party of ten competitors.
Novelty events have been arranged for non-shooters.
The affair is open to the public and not confined to club members.
The club appeals to all shooters and non-shooters to take part so that a substantial sum will be turned over to the Canadian Red Cross.
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BUCKAROOS BREAK JINX

Defeat Seattle for First Time
In Last Six Starts by
3-1 Score

SEATTLE, Dec. 18 (AP).—Portland's desperate Buckaroos broke a season-long jinx tonight to defeat Seattle for the first time in six Pacific Coast Hockey League starts. The score was 3-1 as Seattle was shut out until four minutes from the game's end.

LINE-UPS
Portland—Bill; Conn. Ripley; Holmes McFadden, Dyeer. Subs: Sutherland, Ouellette, Martel, Martin.

Seattle—Gauthier; Coulter, Puse, Burron, McCartney, Daley. Subs: Lovendahl, Tabor, Downie, Tomlinson, Johns.

Officials—Cam Proudlock and Jack Walker.

SUMMARY

First period—No scoring. Penalties: Ouellette, Tabor, Burron, Coulter.

Second period—1. Portland, Dyeer (Conn. Holmes), 19:20. Penalties: Sutherland (2), Coulter (2), Tabor (2), including ten minutes for misconduct.

Third period—2. Portland, Martel (Ouellette), 4:18; 3. Portland, Dyeer (Conn. Holmes), 18:08. Penalties: Lovendahl, Burron, Lovendahl, Sutherland (2), Martin.

Vancouverite Is Rhodes Scholar

James B. Brown, twenty-one-year-old son of Rev. Dr. J. G. Brown, principal of the Union Theological College, Vancouver, and a graduate of the University of British Columbia, will be the Rhodes Scholar for this province for 1941.

Brown, a graduate in physics and a noted sprinter, having taken part in the 1936 Olympic trials, is an enthusiastic amateur radio operator. When he obtained his Government radio licence in 1934 he was the youngest "ham" in British Columbia. He was born in Vancouver.

The young award winner has not decided whether he will take up his studies at Oxford during the war.

The winner was chosen in Vancouver Tuesday night by the provincial selection committee, headed by Lieutenant-Governor E. W. Hamber and including Mayne D. Hamilton, George Cassady, D. N. Hossie, Dr. Harry V. Warren and Arthur J. P. Johnson.

"Since I got a girl I can't eat, I can't drink, I can't smoke," "Why not?" "I'm broke."

CAGE GAMES FRIDAY AT WEST ROAD HALL

West Road cage quintettes will act as hosts to visiting Sidney and R.C.A.F. hoopers tomorrow evening at the West Road Hall.

Playing at 8 o'clock will be West Road and Sidney hoopers, while one hour later Air Force cageers from Patricia Bay will meet the home team in a men's tussle.

The event is the annual Christmas programme staged by the West Road Basketball Club, and the evening's festivities will conclude with dancing. Refreshments will be served.

SAYS WEYGAND TO SIT TIGHT

London Diplomat Believes
French General Will Watch
Events Closely

If General Weygand were to move from his present negative position and turn what troops are at his disposal in an attack on the Italians in Libya, "we could slam down the window on the Italians in the Mediterranean," Tracy Phillips, M.C., London, said here yesterday.

For twenty years in British Government service in Italy, Egypt, Palestine, Greece, Turkey and Russia, Mr. Phillips is also a former diplomatic correspondent for a group of English newspapers, a former associate of T. E. Lawrence at the Arab Bureau in Cairo, and a former liaison officer with the Greek army.

Back again in the service of the British Government, he has been in Canada in recent months, speaking before Canadian clubs and other bodies on the Mediterranean situation, and interpreting the background of daily news of the war. He is registered here at the Empress Hotel.

From his personal knowledge of Weygand and General Nogues, commander of the French colonial troops until Weygand arrived in North Africa, Mr. Phillips believes that the latter will sit tight and watch events.

WEYGAND PATRIOTIC

Although he thought that Weygand probably regretted his share in the French capitulation, he declared that the French general was a patriotic and big man, whose decisions would be based solely on what was best for France. He thought Weygand's move from France to Africa was to make him a bargaining counter in the hands of the Vichy Government in the matter of terms with Hitler. Weygand was determined that Hitler would not get French Morocco, the most valuable of the French colonies, but on the other hand he had to consider the effect of any possible militant action on his part in its repercussions in France's relations to Germany. A move by him might result in the whole of France being occupied. General Nogues, now Weygand's subordinate, was definitely pro-British, Mr. Phillips stated.

HITLER STALIN'S BOSS

Speaking of Russo-German relations, he said that Hitler was definitely the boss. Hitler's technique used on the European countries—and as laid down in Mein Kampf—was to create alarm and despondency, mutual contradiction and internal confusion. Stalin was the bogey man, and when Hitler arranged with Stalin that he, Hitler, should take over the whole of the West Coast of Europe, the technique came into play.

Stalin made a flint at Finland, just sufficient to extract the air and naval bases necessary to protect access to Russia through the Gulf of Finland. This scared the Norwegians, who saw Stalin on his way to seize the ice-free ports in the northwest of Norway, and causing "Quislings" to arise, who said "rather than have these blood-

Young Stars With the Americans



That's "Squee" Allen on the left, one of several whippers that Red Dutton trapped last Summer. Allen came up along with Benson and Wycherly to form a new front line featuring youth for the otherwise pretty venerable Amerks. But youth is entrenched on defence too, and one of the hottest is Pat Egan (right), paired with Wilfrid "Bucko" Fields in front of Earl Robertson. Dutton, who likes 'em hot, calls Egan his warmest defence potato, says he's a throwback to forebears in Ireland who carried rocks to the sea from Connemara's tumbling wastes to build the Giant's Causeway. But though Red is happy with Egan and Fields, he'll be happier next year when he fetches up Andrew Brannigan. "There's a defence pair for you," cries Red, practically in his sleep. "Brannigan and Egan, and I'll have an O'Flaherty on the wing, too. Erin go bragh!"

stained Oriental Bolsheviks, we prefer the orderly Germans." This attitude is a key point in Hitler's calculations, Mr. Phillips said.

Mr. Phillips declared the same technique was used in Poland, the Baltic States, above all in Rumania. "Hitler wanted to get in, so he let Stalin take Bessarabia, and the Iron Guards arose and made the same choice as the Quislings in Norway."

Now this technique is being applied to the Americas. The bogey used here is Hitler's pact with Japan, in addition to Russian Communism. Alarm, confusion and misunderstanding is being spread on this continent from Peru to British Columbia, fostered by the dual threat of Japanese aggression and Russian Communism. The object, Mr. Phillips believed, is to sow enough alarm and distrust as to prevent the full weight of war production going overseas to the aid of Great Britain.

STUDENTS GIVE FORUM SKETCHES

Japanese-Canadian Oratorical Contests Postponed Until After School Holidays

Bringing the total to fifteen, eight additional speeches have been given this week in the oratorical contest for the Japanese-Canadian Youth Forum Cup at Victoria High School. Five additional speeches were to have been delivered prior to the close of school on Friday, but owing to the prevalent influenza epidemic, they have been canceled. The contest will be resumed after the Christmas holidays, with the winner to be announced early in the new year. The twenty entries received by the judges was the largest number of entries ever received for the contest.

To date, the contest has been an

outstanding success, with much preparation and forethought in evidence, judging from the speeches given.

Those who have spoken so far and their subjects are as follows: Hugh McLeod, "A Trip to Edmonton"; Gloria Kendall, "There'll Always Be an England"; Bob McClung, "School Spirit"; Carol Watson, "The Red Cross"; Edna Ford, "This Freedom"; Ralph Pelt, "Archaeology and the Bible"; Ellen Willis, "The Invisible Hand"; Tary McCall, "A Trip to Eastern Canada"; Ernest Wellwood, "Snow"; Mavis Yuasa, "What Is Art?"; Sydney Jackson, "Madame Curie"; John di Castro, "How to Get Along With People"; "Dick McCoy"; "Canada at War"; Charles Maunell, "Peace on Earth"; Joyce Baylis, "The Youth of the World."

Owing to sickness in the school the H-Y concert, which was to have been held on Friday afternoon, and the annual Christmas dance have been postponed.

PLAY AT QUALICUM

The Women's Auxiliary of the Qualicum Beach Branch of the Canadian Legion staged a successful and amusing play in the Community Hall recently entitled "Don't Darken My Door," directed by Mrs. H. Jarvis and Mrs. R. H. Hodgson. There was a large and appreciative audience who thoroughly enjoyed and applauded the play. The several humorous situations were well given and brought rounds of applause.

The cast consisted of Mr. E. Sanders, as Roger Kent; Miss P. Sanders, as Rosemary; his niece; Mrs. W. Gibson, as Jane Perkins; an author; Mr. H. Mant, as Tom Garlick, suitor of Rosemary Kent; Miss M. Mant, as Poppy Foster; a maid; Mr. G. Rheumer, as Alex Stubbins, a hired man; Miss P. Belva, as Susie Featherstone, a maiden lady; and Miss V. Rheumer, as Louisa Featherstone, a maiden lady.

BOYS TO WORK OUT

A workout of the J.B.A.A. Intermediate Rugby fifteen will be held this evening at 6:15 at Macdonald Park. All players and others interested are asked to attend.

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With the date of their "home town" stand exactly one week away, Victoria's Crimson Tide ruggers will hit the hard training trail again this evening at Macdonald Park. The workout is scheduled for 7 o'clock and all players are requested to attend.

Locals registered a smashing 24-0 triumph over the Mainlanders last week at Vancouver, but for all that, they do not intend to underestimate the strength of the visitors for the Boxing Day match here. Reports from the Terminal City suggest that the Vancouver squad will be considerably strengthened for the return engagement here.

While no word has been received from Manager Bob McInnes or Playing Coach Campbell Forbes as to the line-up of the locals, chances are very "doubtful" after the splendid showing of the team at Vancouver. Reports from the Terminal City stated that the club was the best to come out of the British Columbia Capital in many years, and Mainlanders are already picking the Crimson Tide to retain the historic McKechnie Cup in annual competition with Varsity and Vancouver.

Second workout for the locals will be held Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, with the final pre-game training session slated for next Monday at 7 o'clock.

TEN-MINUTE SERVICE INSTITUTED ON ROUTE

For the accommodation of patrons of the Beacon Hill-Fernwood street car route, a ten-minute service, in place of the usual twelve-minute service is now effective between the hours of 12:05 noon and 8:05 p.m., on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays; while on Wednesdays and Saturdays, a ten-minute service replaces the usual twelve-minute service between the hours of

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CHAPTER XLV

The attendant at the safe deposit company looked at the girl admiringly. Her beautiful face, made up, without being overdone, her exquisite figure, in a smart frock of silk print, her bizarre but effective hat, consisting of a bunch of flowers, held precariously to her golden, wavy, wisp of lace, all combined to make her a most desirable patron of any deposit company.

Keys were examined, compared and fitted, and the drawer was opened.

There was nothing inside but one white envelope with Esme's name and address on it, written in her own hand.

"You take it, Mr. Campbell," she said, a little faintly, for she had been superstitiously afraid the thing had been spirited away by magic.

"Yes," Campbell said, taking the envelope and putting it in a pocket-book, "come along, Miss Pane."

When they were in the car again, the lawyer told her that he would not open the envelope until they reached his office. Esme agreed, and she sat back against the cushions with her eyes closed.

Campbell took them into his private office. Philip Lowry, the secretary, was there. He was lost in a sort of daze at sight of Esme, whom he had secretly worshipped since his first law.

"Sit down, Miss Pane," Campbell said, as Lowry placed a chair. "Do not look so disturbed. Are you not to receive a great gift?"

A dazzling smile illuminated her face, and she said: "Yes, Mr. Campbell, open the envelope—hurry—I can't wait!"

With a paper cutter, Campbell slit the envelope and took from it a folded paper, which he handed across the table to Esme. She almost snatched it from his hand—her fingers often deserted her when she became excited—and unfolded the paper.

It was perfectly blank.

The faces of the four people showed varying expressions.

Campbell's countenance remained unmoved. He had trained himself to show no emotion under all circumstances. He was surprised, of course, but the quickly following thought was that it was an impish trick of Vivian's to tease Esme. Probably Vivian had meant to have the girl open it in his presence, and laugh at her discomfiture.

Eastman was annoyed. He detested practical jokes, and he could see this in no other light. He said nothing, but his lips were tightly shut in a straight line.

Philip Lowry's mouth hung open, his eyes were bulging. His locked hands twisted each other, then he slumped in his chair, his head in his hands. Lowry was a believer in the supernatural; he believed the writing had been erased from the paper by spirit hands.

But Esmeralda! She lost control of herself entirely. She screamed, she shouted, she ran to Campbell and tried to maul him. She tweaked his hair, she poked his ears, she slapped his face, and she was obliged to pinion her arms to her side with a strong grasp, she stormed at him like a mad woman.

"You did it!" she ranted. "You are a thief and a liar! You knew where my paper was, you got my key somehow, and you took the note and left a blank paper! Where is the note? Find it for me or you'll be sorry! Don't think I won't know how to revenge myself. I have friends, rich and influential men, who will have you put in jail for this!"

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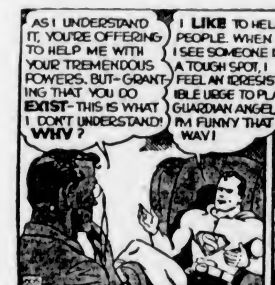
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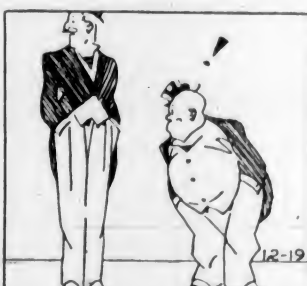
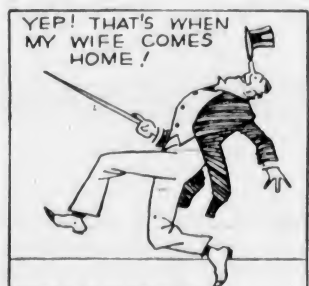
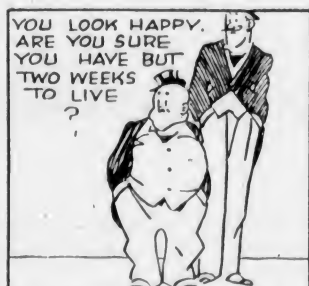
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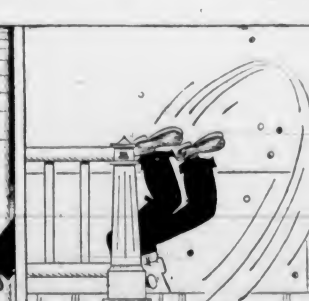
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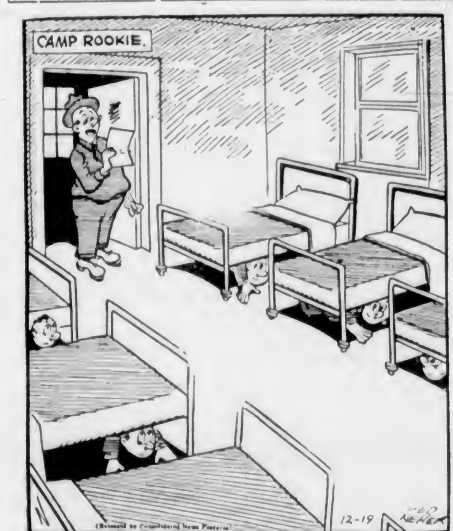
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What Today Means

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If December 19 is your birthday the best hours for you on this date are from 9 to 11 a.m., from 3 to 5 p.m., and from 9 to 11 p.m. The danger periods are from 7 to 9 a.m., from 7 to 9 p.m., and from 11 p.m. until midnight.

Accumulated work this day may seriously interfere with work of December 20, so if you are wise you will try to get as much of it completed as possible. Dislike is a mental condition that can be rectified by any one who really wants to overcome it, and this is a most auspicious day to start to conquer it. You cannot successfully fool yourself regarding issues you do not like to face, so do not waste your time trying to do so, but confront

them with the determination that you will let common sense and your conscience help you to do the right thing. Be careful not to ask embarrassing questions on this date, for the answers are likely to be most disconcerting. It sometimes pays to watch the clock, and on this day it may be advisable that you do so, especially if you have an appointment. You might have a temptation to join in a dispute on this day over some very controversial ques-

tion that is no concern of yours, but if you are wise you will resist your inclination to do so. Married and engaged couples, and prospective fiancées, must be loyal to each other on this date if they want to get through the next twenty-four hours without being subjected to many dissertations on what stand they should or should not take, when voicing their opinion.

If a woman and December 19 is your birthday, be careful not to let your friends make too many demands upon your time, or you will find yourself neglecting your domestic duties. Do not let your interest in radio programmes wear you away from the reading of current literature, for if you do it may seriously interfere with your ability to concentrate your thoughts upon the perusal of worthwhile books and articles that will be helpful in your intellectual development. Through your activity in politics, trained

nursing, teaching, music, singing, dramatic work, selling or business management, you should build up an enviable reputation and secure a more than average income. Do your part in making your marriage a success and you should have no cause to complain.

The child born on December 19 is frequently influenced by habits formed during early childhood, so care must be exercised to correct any undesirable habits before they have a chance to become hard to break. Children born on this date must learn that there is a time to work and a time to play, and that the two cannot be mixed. With the proper rearing Sagittarian children seldom have any difficulty in making their way through life in a thoroughly satisfactory manner.

If a man and December 19 is your natal day, it might pay you to analyze the demands you make upon your family and friends, so that they will be kept within the bounds of reason. You should display exceptional ability as a writer, journalist, engineer, chemist, druggist, dentist, doctor, lawyer, actor, salesman, business executive, artist, financier, promoter, agriculturist. (Released by Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

"I like that dress you're wearing." "I got it for my twentieth birthday day." "Really! It has worn well, hasn't it?"